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Re: National Survey Results

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Voters Support State Action to propose the Regulation Freedom Amendment by Almost 2 to 1

- A majority of Americans are concerned about regulatory abuse and believe action is required to correct the abuse. Together a majority, 52%, of voters believe state legislatures should either vote to hold the convention or use the threat of holding the convention to get Congress to propose the Regulation Freedom Amendment. The level of support rises in important regions like New England (58%) and the South Atlantic (55%). A plurality, 28%, of voters believes state legislatures should call and hold a constitutional convention to propose the Regulation Freedom Amendment. One-in-four voters, 25%, believe the state legislatures should use the threat of a constitutional convention to force Congress to propose the amendment. Meanwhile, only 1 in 5 voters, 20%, believe the state legislatures should not call a constitutional convention or use the threat of a constitutional convention to force Congress to propose the amendment.
- By almost a 2 to 1 margin, 49% to 27%, voters support their state legislatures voting to propose the Regulation Freedom Amendment as an amendment to the Constitution. This margin is maintained throughout the country especially in New England, 56%-22%, and the South, 52%-27%. One in four voters, 25%, have not yet formulated an opinion.
- A majority of voters, 55%, support “runaway convention” prevention legislation (10th Amendment based Faithful Delegate law). Nearly a 4 to 1 margin of voters more strongly support than strongly oppose this language. Less than 1 in 5 voters, 19%, oppose it.

Conclusion

The results of this national survey continue to show how a populist issue like the Regulation Freedom Amendment can gain momentum and compel Congress to act responsibly towards the states, similar to the ratification of the Bill of Rights, the 17th and the 22nd Amendments. State legislatures must continue to protect the Constitution by passing “runaway convention” prevention legislation or the 10th Amendment based Faithful Delegate law. These preparations will serve to put Congress on notice that if they do not act, the states are prepared and will be forced to act in their stead, to ensure the will of the people.

Demographic Breakdown

<u>Party</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>%</u>
Republican	30%	18-29	19%	White	73%
Democrat	36%	30-40	18%	African American	10%
Independent	34%	41-55	26%	Hispanic	12%
<u>Ideology</u>	<u>%</u>	56-65	19%	Asian	3%
Liberal	32%	Over 65	17%	<u>Gender</u>	<u>%</u>
Moderate	35%			Male	47%
Conservative	33%			Female	53%

Methodology: This national survey of 1,000 likely 2014 general election voters was conducted from February 6th to 12th, 2014. All interviews were conducted online; survey invitations were distributed randomly within predetermined geographic units. These units were structured to correlate with actual voter turnout in a nationwide general election. This poll of 1,000 likely general election voters has an accuracy of +/- 3.1% at a 95% confidence interval.