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Thanks, Sam. It has been a while since I touched this article and delved into these issues.

The purpose of my article was not to dissuade states from calling for and implementing an Article V Convention. I believe Ms. Brantley's quotation of my article is most mischaracterized in her statement, right before quoting me, that reads "commenters continue to urge states not to call for such." In no way was I urging states to not call an Article V Convention. Instead I was pointing out potential risks, which can be resolved with careful planning and thinking.

Further my article, by its title, points out that because an Article V Convention has never been called, no one can know how it will really shape out if called for and implemented. Again, that premise in no way implies that states shouldn't call for one. My article was meant to assist states who are debating whether to call for an Article V Convention by roadmapping the issues and presenting safeguards to consider.

I hope this helps. Again, I don't have too much time at the moment to really go back through everything, but from a high level these are my thoughts.

Best,

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