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The Honorable Brian J. Feldman, Chair The Honorable Cheryl C. Kagan, Vice-Chair Members of the Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee 2 West Miller Senate Office Building Annapolis, Maryland 21401

RE: SB 886, Amendments Convention Called Under Article V of the U.S. Constitution - Delegation to the Convention

Dear Chair Feldman, Vice-Chair Kagan and Members:

I support SB 886, Amendments Convention Called Under Article V of the U.S. Constitution – Delegation to the Convention. When this bill was considered last year, our federal public debt was \$34 trillion; today it is over \$36.5 trillion. This a national crisis.

Now more than ever, we need swift action to tackle our debt crisis. As more state legislatures are seeing the wisdom of calling for an Article V convention to consider constitutional amendments that would limit the power and jurisdiction of the federal government, impose fiscal restraints, and place term limits on federal officials, Maryland should be prepared to not only send a delegation but to give them the guidance that will be required to make decisions in the best interest of our country.

This is one fiscally responsible vote that costs so very little but is vital to our country's future. Clearly, doing nothing is no longer an option. I would urge a favorable report on SB 886.

Sincerely,

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