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Presidential Candidate? Answer These, Please

Dear Friends:

While many presidential candidates have already visited Aiken, we'll experience a 'traffic jam' of presidential contenders over the next two months as they curry your vote for the February primaries. This is an opportunity to delve beneath their stump rhetoric and vet them with tough questions that are important to you. Don't let them wiggle out of answering; press them for specifics.

At the risk of being a policy wonk, allow me to touch on a critical topic: Permanently reigning in our out-of-control federal government.

We need every presidential contender to answer to these questions:

Will you actively support the efforts by many states legislatures (including S.C.) to pass a resolution for the calling a Convention of States under Article V of the United States Constitution, for the sole purpose of proposing Amendments to the U.S. Constitution LIMITING the powers of the federal government and returning many rightful powers that have been usurped from the state's? ([Background](#))

Specifically, ask them: "Do you support the 'Regulation Freedom Amendment' (REINS Act) permanently ending "regulation without representation" that requires Congress to approve major new federal regulations before they can take effect?"

(Background: Beyond keeping us safe and curbing spending, one of the most important issues facing our next President will be how to rein in the abusive regulatory federal overreach, not just for the new President's own term or two, but permanently for both the good and bad Presidents we will elect in future years and generations. We need permanent, long term Constitutional reform to restore the checks and balances intended by the authors of our Constitution. In the same way that states helped force Congress to propose the Bill of Rights, 34 (2/3) of the states could propose the 'Regulation Freedom Amendment' in an Article V Convention of States)

Here's a follow up that drills deeper: "Mr. Candidate, you have said you support the REINS Act, but you know there aren't 60 votes in the Senate to pass it, and even if it could pass it could be repealed by a future more liberal Congress. Would you press Congress to propose the 'Regulation Freedom Amendment' to permanently require Congress approve major new federal regulations?"

If their response is vague, ask: "Was that a YES, or a NO, or an "I WON'T TELL YOU?"

You're the BOSS

You, the voter, are BOSS! Those you elect (including me) work for you. If they want your vote to be elected then they're required to give you straight answers. So, don't hesitate to ASK.

I'm Available

It is an honor and a privilege to serve you. If you need help navigating state government, or have any thoughts or concerns about what we are doing, please do not hesitate to contact me.

In your Service,

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It's "that time of year".
Christmas parades in
Windsor and Wagener were
last weekend.

This Sunday, Dec. 13 is the
Aiken Parade, 2:00 pm.

Come to Downtown Aiken
and help spread the cheer.

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