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## Contradictions in law and logic with respect to Idaho's Concealed Carry Law

By Doug Traubel



The Supreme Court has repeatedly confirmed the principle that police have **NO legal obligation** to provide **you** with personal safety.

The role of police is “public safety” **NOT** personal safety; they are largely reactive.

You cannot sue the police if you are robbed or raped.

What this means is that **BY DEFAULT YOU and YOU alone** are responsible for your personal safety.

You cannot opt out of that role. You cannot hold the state responsible for **your** failure to protect yourself or your family;

**The state is immune from being ineffective, arriving late or not arriving at all.**

In order to be prepared to carry out the awesome responsibility of personal safety, some of us use wisdom and exercise our constitutionally protected right to carry a firearm.

There are tactical advantages to carrying a firearm concealed that enhance personal safety:

Keeping it hidden removes the temptation by a criminal to overpower and disarm me.

Keeping it hidden eliminates the guarantee that I am the first victim shot by a bank robber or spree shooter at the mall when he sees I am armed.

Keeping it hidden gives me the element of surprise in an attack.

So, while I am left with the awesome and **sole** responsibility to provide for my personal safety, the best method of doing so: carrying concealed, is undermined by state government that requires I pay what they call a “FEE” for their permission to **possess** my personal defense weapon in a manner of my choosing — for optimum advantage.

### **WORDS MEAN THINGS.**

A Fee: is “An amount paid for an **elective** service.”

A “fee” implies that I have a choice in a matter. Like rotating my tires myself or paying a fee for Les Schwab to do it.

But I have **no choice** in providing for my personal safety. The state shares no part of that responsibility **yet** it encumbers me from using the most prudent manner to do so: Concealed carry -- by a “special tax” on that manner of possession, under the penalty of arrest for a misdemeanor if I wear a coat over my gun or stick it in the glove box.

The Idaho Constitution does allow for the state to make laws governing the carrying of weapons concealed: Idaho code 18-3302.

But the law **contradicts** the constitution. The constitution says that **no** law shall impose a “special tax” on the “possession” of firearms. But subsection (n) (2) of the law requires a citizen pay a “**fee**” for permission to **possess** a firearm concealed.

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**Possession** means: “having, owning or controlling something.” If I want to **have** and **control** a gun under my coat or in an ankle holster under my pant leg — because that manner of carry is the most prudent way for me to provide for my personal safety — but I must pay a fee to do so — then it is a special tax by another name placed on my right to possess a firearm in the **one manner** that serves best my sole responsibility to provide for my personal safety.

When I have no choice in a matter it is not a fee but a **tax**.

The state does not force me to drive. I can elect to take a cab or bus and pay a fee for the service. I can opt out, walk and pay nothing. If I choose to drive I pay a processing fee for a driver license. Fair enough, the choice is mine. But I have **no choice** in the matter to provide for my **personal safety**.

The state has placed me in a position of disadvantage to the criminal when it puts a tax and furthermore a time consuming process between my sole obligation to provide for my personal safety and the best method of doing so. It is unconstitutional and even more **immoral** than taxing my food.

Police know it is very rare for a permit holder to commit crime; they are *rule-followers* by and large.

As it stands, police run records checks on people detained — for example on traffic stops. The records check tells police if the person stopped is a permit holder thereby giving police a “heads up” that the person could have a gun on him/her.

Does that (ostensible) advantage to police **justify** the state to require the entire population jump through hoops and get a permit? **No.**

I know all too well that Police work is dangerous. If someone is acting in a way that causes the officer to believe the person is armed and a threat, then under Terry vs. Ohio the officer is authorized to do a limited, warrantless search for weapons to be safe.



It is the **exception to the rule** that a permit holder is going to be on the wrong side of the law. The heads up from dispatch that the person is a permit holder tells the officer that he has stopped a rule follower more than it tells him anything else.

The permit requirement does **not** deter a determined criminal from carrying weapons concealed.

Will it stop a terrorist or spree shooter from carrying concealed until he gets to a position of advantage at the mall and from there pulls out the gun and goes to work? **No.**

It **will** however stop a rule-follower—without a permit— from carrying a gun that could have stopped the attack.

Police do not gain any substantive officer safety advantage by the concealed carry law because those who comply with it are overwhelmingly law-abiding folks.

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The only measurable thing the concealed carry law does for police is provide them a tool to arrest an armed gang member and take him to jail where valuable intelligence is collected: i.e. booking photo, finger prints, documentation of tattoos etc. I've done that many times.

But, is that leverage over the gang member worth the price of liberty paid by the law-abiding citizen? **NO**. The price paid is the infringement inherent in the concealed carry law. That infringement compromises the citizen's personal safety from the very same gangster the police used the law to arrest.

The state has placed the rule-follower at a disadvantage to the predator by Denying that citizen the at-will freedom to possess a weapon under a coat, in a purse or in a glove

box for fear of being snared by the same law the gangster was arrested for.

There are already laws to punish parolees and certain felons for possessing firearms. And when LE catches them in violation they are charged accordingly.

There is a law against stealing guns and possessing stolen property. When LE catches those offenders with such contraband they are charged.

The Concealed Carry Law is only obeyed by rule followers.

It is misguided, illogical and immoral. The unconstitutional tax component is a revenue generating scheme. Through word-smithing it is called a "FEE."

The Law is argued necessary under the Orwellian banner of "Public Safety." In fact, the concealed carry law makes citizens **less safe** by infringing on their right to possess a firearm at-will in a manner that gives them the best advantage: concealed carry.

To illustrate the error in reasoning behind concealed carry laws consider this simple hypothetical:

The population of "Safe City" is 10,000. The Safe City Police Department subscribes to the hiring ratio of 1,000: 1. In other words, for every 1,000 inhabitants, the Safe City Police Department hires one officer. In this example there would be 10 officers to serve 10,000 people. Those ten officers would be divided in three, eight-hour shifts giving Safe City "police coverage" consisting of 3.3 officers 24/7 (barring one calling in sick or being on vacation). Many calls for service are two-officer calls; this slows response time on a busy day and calls for service get stacked up in order of priority.

Now, let's say that 1% of the 10,000 population are criminals. We are relying on 3.3 Safe City officers to police 100 bad guys roaming Safe City. Would it not make more sense to allow the 9,900 good citizens of Safe City to carry a weapon concealed **at-will**? When there is a rash of robberies or gang rapes reported more Safe City residents will choose to carry weapons concealed (without need for a permit). This makes sense even using Common Core math. It puts the odds in favor of the citizen and the city could be renamed, "**Safer** City."

## Why I have Problems with Medicaid Expansion

### By Senator Steven Thayn

Some of my constituents do not understand why I am opposed to Medicaid expansion. The reason is simple. Medicaid and other social programs increase consumption without requiring production. Over time, this leads to increased poverty and government dependency.

Economic systems have a production side and a consumption side. Without consumption, human existence is not possible. Interestingly, consumption cannot take place unless someone first works and produces food, clothing, and housing. Production comes **before** consumption: bread baked before it is eaten; clothing sewn before being worn, furniture constructed before being used, and roads built before being driven on. Everyone must consume food, clothing, and fuel everyday of their lives in order to survive. All of us have an obligation to contribute.

For many, the main currency of creating good public policy is increasing government's charitable activities; they believe the legislature can help the poor by providing medical services. Not expanding Medicaid, to them, is simply withholding compassionate medical services. According to this perspective, only good is created with no harm to individuals or society.

However, focusing solely on helping people by giving them medical services is a form of single entry accounting. This creates an incomplete picture. Only one side of the balance sheet is being considered. Other important economic and psychological factors are ignored.

Medicaid expansion, as well as other wealth-redistribution programs, **enables people to consume without producing. Limited charity serves an important role** in helping those who are elderly, disabled, or disadvantaged. However long-term entitlement programs, for capable individuals, often create lifelong dependency that does not create the independence to reach their productive capacity.

Poverty is a function of lack of access to consumable resources. Throughout the existence of mankind, we have attempted to eat without work; often looking toward government to take from those that have and give to those that have little. This approach seems reasonable; however, it never reduces poverty. In fact, wealth redistribution focusing on increasing the capacity of the poor to consume does not help them attain true freedom by increasing their productive capacity. The overall capacity of communities decline and are robbed of their capacity to reach universal prosperity.

There are two choices before us. We can choose to tax the productive among us at higher levels; or, we can choose to help, encourage, and give the poor opportunities and incentives to become more independent which will increase the number of productive citizens. Let's not make the same mistake again and expand Medicaid which places us clearly on the path to more wealth redistribution, more consumption, and less production. The Medicaid expansion population is mostly, young, healthy, single adults; not the elderly, disabled or disadvantaged. A better alternative exists than simple Medicaid expansion. I will explain an alternative later.



## Letter to the Editor

by Adrian Arp

What do Common Core, international trade agreements, Agenda 21, global warming, disarming civilians, Earth Charter, UNESCO and world court all have in common? They are all programs of the United Nations.

Our freedom is based on three principles: National Sovereignty; Natural God-given Rights and Natural Law. These are all being destroyed especially through regional trade agreements, global warming and Common Core.

The presently negotiated trade agreements, The Trans-Pacific Partnership and the Trade and Investment Partnership will merge us politically and economically into regional governments. The goal is to create a global totalitarian economy under United Nation's unelected bureaucratic authority. Our wealth will be re-distributed with the loss of prosperity and sovereignty.

The Global Warming scare is part of United Nation's Agenda 21. U.N. environmental programs which are controlling all earthly human activity. Many unratified UN treaties are being implemented through agencies like the EPA, BLM and Forest Service.

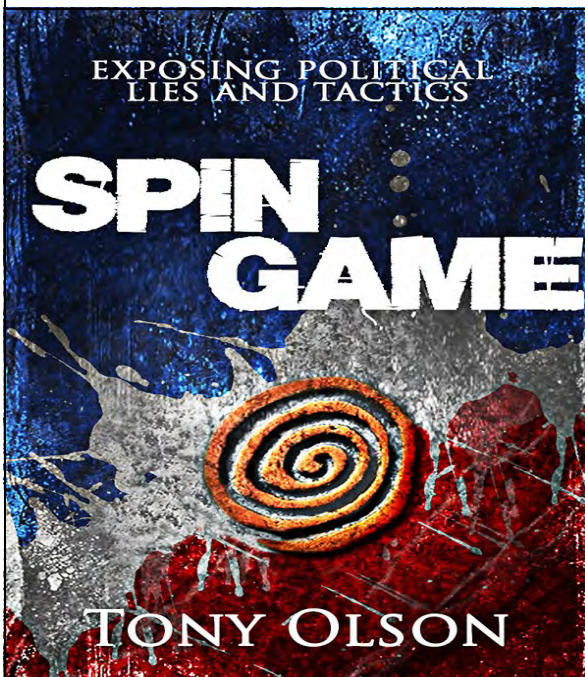
The Common Core curriculum proceeds from UNESCO's World Core Curriculum of the late New Age guru and U.N. Assistant Secretary Robert Muller (1923-2010), founder of the UN's University of Peace. In his book, "New Genesis," Muller tells us that the divine UN is leading us to" the apotheosis {deification } of human life on earth. Schooling our children for Global anti-God (humanistic) Citizenship is the goal.

The U.N. was founded by communists like Alger Hiss and Council on Foreign Relations members whose goal since its founding is a socialist world government. The U.N. is a nest of spies with diplomatic immunity who cannot be arrested or searched. It is a major terrorist base.

U.N. world government will bring global tyranny. Common Core & the sovereignty destroying trade agreements must be stopped. Please ask Congress to pass H.R. 75 to get out of the communist controlled United Nations. Get informed at [www.jbs.org](http://www.jbs.org) and [www.thenewamerican.com](http://www.thenewamerican.com).

A concerned citizen,

Adrian Arp, Ph.D.



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## **A New Low For The Race Baiters**

**By Tony Olson (Author of *Spin Game*)**

Just when you thought America's race hustlers couldn't possibly stoop any lower . . . along comes the Rev. Jesse Jackson, interjecting himself into, of all things, a little league cheating scandal.

On February 11<sup>th</sup>, Little League International announced that the national championship title won by Chicago's Jackie Robinson West All-Stars would be taken away, after several of the competing teams complained the team's roster had been stacked with ineligible players.

Faster than you could say, "Hands up, don't shoot", the race baiter-in-chief was already postulating that this was an egregious act of racism. "Is this about boundaries or race?" asked Rev. Jackson. He went on to say that he was "upset to the point of tears" over the decision.

Well, cry me a river, Mr. Jackson. You should be far more upset that those managing this team felt it necessary to break the rules in order to field a championship team. A true champion doesn't have to cheat. And now, you've made a bad situation worse by playing the race card. What kind of message does that send to these young men?

The bigger question, that we as Americans need to ask ourselves, is how race relations have managed to deteriorate to the point that even children's sports are not immune to the race hustlers.

Barack Obama was supposed to be the "great unifier" of all peoples. He has failed miserably. At the time of Obama's election, more than 70 percent of those polled felt race relations in America were good, including 63 percent of African-Americans. A Gallup poll taken last month showed that only 30 percent currently have a positive view of race relations in America. It has happened because those in the "race industry" have been allowed to operate with complete impunity. The Obama administration and media have only fanned the flames.

We were well on our way to realizing Dr. Martin Luther King's dream when things suddenly took a left turn in 2008. In the Obama era, everything is about race. Criticism of poor performance is written off as racism. Police doing their job is now racism. This is not what MLK had envisioned.

All the while, history is being re-written. The movie "Selma" paints a poignant picture of the civil rights movement, yet fails to acknowledge that more white Republicans supported the Civil Rights Act of 1964 than Democrats. The movie also failed to acknowledge that Republicans voted for civil rights 95 percent of time between 1933 and the late sixties, a total of 26 separate civil rights bills. The Democrats voted against those same bills 85 percent of the time.

"Selma" also forgets to mention the fact that the Ku Klux Klan was actually founded by a Democrat, Nathan Bedford Forrest, as an extension of the Southern Democrat Party.

Yet, Republicans and Tea Party members are the bad guys. Apparently, no amount of damage from liberal policies will ever be enough to persuade African-Americans that conservatives may actually hold the key to a better life. This country is long overdue for a history lesson, including a clarification of Dr. Martin Luther King's beliefs. That's Dr. Martin Luther King, the Republican.

I, too, have a dream . . . a dream that someday we can all live together in harmony, as Dr. King had envisioned. I have a dream that we can someday communicate openly without the constraints of political correctness. I dream of an America where race hustlers are not allowed to dictate policy, and racism is not used as a crutch. I dream of an America where people admit mistakes and take responsibility for their actions, whether it's in the White House or on a little league baseball diamond. In my dream, the race hustlers are nowhere to be found.



## Idaho's Gun Politics

### By Greg Pruett

Idaho has some of the most gun friendly laws on the books. We are blessed to live in a state where firearms freedom is one of the top in the country. Even so, there are certainly ways we can improve our laws here and shore up our defenses. There are strides that need to be made in order to restore our 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment rights to where "shall not be infringed" actually means something and before more progressive politicians take over and begin reversing what we already have. So in a state like Idaho where Republicans overwhelmingly control both houses and the governorship, why is it so hard to push gun bills through?

In 2012 when the Idaho Second Amendment Alliance was founded, one of our top priorities was getting Idaho on board with other states that had Constitutional Carry. We informed the legislators that it was also the top priority and desire from many, if not most, of Idaho's gun owners. Instead, during the 2013 legislative session they insisted on bringing us the "Enhanced Carry Permit." We warned them that doing so would make Constitutional Carry very difficult because legislators and law enforcement will fall in love with the "training" aspect of the permitting system. Idaho gun owners were ignored and Enhanced Carry was passed.

In the 2014 session we again told them that Constitutional Carry was the top priority of Idaho's gun owners. Instead, the legislature insisted on doing Campus Carry. The ISAA is strongly in favor of Campus Carry but opposed the 2014 version because the permit was now being used for reasons not given to the Idaho people in 2013. Additionally, we felt that the restrictions were far too severe for what we should be able to get through in Idaho. Our fear is that the Campus Carry passed will be all we can get for the next 20 years. They again ignored the desire of Idaho gun owners for Constitutional Carry.

So in 2015, the ISAA had had enough. We put forward Constitutional Carry with no sponsor. We wanted to get a hearing for Idaho citizens on the topic. No one we could find was willing to take the issue on. Instead the legislators are again working on another bill not requested by Idaho citizens but one that will further their own agenda. After our print hearing, House Bill 89 was born. We finally had a bill for Constitutional Carry. But the celebration was short lived as house leadership stalled the bill in committee and the chairman refused to let it go to a hearing.

I was told by Speaker Bedke that they have their own way of doing things down there. They have created an ad hoc "gun committee" and if you don't go through their committee, your gun bill will go nowhere. They say that they created it because there were so many gun bills before. Well this year there are two main gun bills, House Bill 89 and Senate Bill 1090. The bills don't compete against each other and that was confirmed by the NRA themselves. The NRA is helping push the Senate bill while House Bill 89 is backed by the Gun Owners of America and the National Association for Gun Rights. We also now have a champion for Constitutional Carry in Rep. Heather Scott from District 1.

The problem is that Chairman Loertscher and Speaker Bedke refuse to let the bill go before the committee for a full hearing. We encourage all Idaho citizens to contact those individuals to make your voices heard. Be firm but respectful.

The bottom line is that this ad hoc gun committee is making it difficult for Idaho gun owners to get their voices heard. Why do we need a gun committee in a state where every Republican politician says they are "pro-2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment". That should tell you that they are covering for someone who is standing in the way of real gun bills. Demand that House Bill 89 go to a vote and if it dies by vote then at least we know who to hold accountable.

The ISAA will not compromise. We aren't working hard to restore 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment rights to make friends. We are there to take care of business.

**DON'T TRUST THE GOVERNMENT WITH WEAPONS  
IF THEY WON'T TRUST YOU WITH YOURS**  
**By Russ Fulcher - Idaho Freedom Foundation**



**REPRINT OF AN ARTICLE IN IDAHO REPORTER**

By Russ Fulcher | Idaho Freedom Foundation

Sitting deep in the bowels of the Idaho Capitol is a bill that, if passed, would allow law-abiding citizens to carry a concealed weapon without a government-approved license.

This so-called Constitutional Carry legislation has met significant resistance, even though it's a significant step forward in gun rights in the traditionally firearms-friendly Legislature.

Legislative gatekeepers may not even give this plan a full hearing. An important question I must ask: Why do some lawmakers fear the passage of this bill?

By definition, criminals are individuals who do not abide by the law. If a criminal decides to carry a concealed weapon, they are unlikely to consult Idaho code, much less abide by it before doing so. They, in my opinion, are the bad guys.

The way Idaho law reads now, law-abiding citizens may carry a concealed weapon only if they pay a fee, enter their personal information into a government database and sustain certain training requirements. They in my opinion, are the good guys.

Knowing the bad guys have no regard for the law and will carry their weapons with the possible intent of using them for destructive purposes, why would we want to protect barriers that discourage armed good guys from being able to potentially thwart the activities of armed bad guys?

The answer? Control. Government's natural tendency is to try to control things; and an armed populace threatens that. In the minds of many government officials, public safety has little to do with the issue. Rather, an armed populace threatens government's ability to control the people. That's why I support Constitutional Carry.

After all, the Founding Fathers of this great nation intended the people to be the pinnacle of governance: "Of the people, by the people, for the people," as President Abraham Lincoln so eloquently explained. When lawmakers discourage a law-abiding citizen's right to bear arms, I question their motive – and accordingly, their trustworthiness.

At no time in world history has the disarmament of a citizenry resulted in the increased safety, freedom or prosperity of that citizenry. To the contrary, disarmament has repeatedly led to tyranny and, eventually, slavery.

In short, don't trust a government with weapons that won't trust you with yours.

*Former state Sen. Russ Fulcher is a member of the Idaho Freedom Foundation's governing board.*

## Let's seek innovative and smart solutions for Idaho's pressing budget issues

By Russ Fulcher

REPRINT FROM - IDAHO FREEDOM FOUNDATION

At first glance, the governor's budget proposal for the next fiscal year asks taxpayers to spend about \$150 million more than last year; and it appears the Legislature will agree. But the cost could be much greater than \$150 million. That's because there are major issues coming this session that were not detailed in the budget proposal - and each have a big, ongoing price tag:

**TRANSPORTATION FUNDING** – Otherwise identified as tax and registration fee increases: Construction and business stakeholders have been pushing for this for years, but now the stage is set to get it done. The economy is growing - though mildly so - and gas prices are -- temporarily -- down. No one wants to see our transportation infrastructure crumble. We all realize it's necessary for commerce to grow, but there's a better way to wisely administer taxpayer dollars to pay for it: The transportation department has already made its case for budget needs. Now that case needs to be independently validated. Once lawmakers are comfortable with what they believe to be the real need, they should do as most other states: Utilize "general fund" dollars to pay for it. In so doing, road funding competes for priority with other program demands.

**EDUCATION FUNDING** – Otherwise identified as tax and levy increases for public schools. More than \$100 million of the aforementioned \$150 million in spending increases is slated to go to public schools. I spent the last 10 years on the Senate Education Committee. Over that period, all stakeholders could mutually agree upon were two things: That we need a healthy public school system and the system is broken. Adding \$100 million to the system does nothing to fix it. Left alone, the system as-is will only demand more money next year, and more bond levies run at the local level.

We need to scrap the mandatory, federally backed testing requirement (SBAC), and merge some of the 115+ independent school districts to lower administrative costs. Then we can empower teachers and parents to choose their own curriculum and teaching methods based on local needs.

**MEDICAID EXPANSION** – Otherwise known as the ongoing transfer of health care decisions to bankrupt federal decision-makers. As with the education system, stakeholders can mutually agree on just two things: That we need a way to address the health care needs of Idaho's most vulnerable and the Medicaid system is broken. There's a better way than Medicaid to enable a health care system not for just the most vulnerable, but for everyone. We can increase incentives for productivity and patient-control by offering tax-deferred health care savings accounts. We can utilize some of the taxpayer money traditionally slated for indigent care by encouraging private clinics as an alternative to expensive emergency room use. We can reduce insurance rates via increased competition by allowing providers to sell across state lines. We can encourage "direct pay" options whereby "health memberships" in a physician's practice can be purchased, allowing the patient to pay a flat fee for a range of previously agreed-upon services.

Meanwhile, on the legislative back-burner is real, sizable tax relief. Aggressively lowering our high marginal income taxes must be a priority. Getting rid of the grocery tax must be a priority. I was one of two legislators who co-sponsored the grocery tax credit policy. It was a good first step, but now it's time to eliminate that tax altogether. Both proposals would provide real relief for Idaho's working families and help make the Gem State more attractive for increased business investment.

In summary, we need to take a different approach to the budget. The focus needs to be on maximizing dollars taxpayers keep, and structuring individual incentives in a marketplace that encourages efficiency. Without intervention, we will all be paying more taxes after this legislative session than we are now.



## If This, Then That

By John Malloy

"I do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I will take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion, and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter. So help me God."

The above oath of office is required by the Constitution (Article VI, clause 3) to be taken by every one of our United States Senators and Representatives; the Congress. Therefore

**If** "[the Congress shall have power," as stated in the Constitution, Article I, Section 8, "... to regulate Commerce with foreign Nations..." and

**If** the power to regulate commerce with foreign nations is willfully relinquished to President Obama, which could happen as Congress considers granting him "Trade Promotion Authority (TPA)," and

Because granting TPA would unconstitutionally delegate to the president "authority" to negotiate terms and conditions of so-called "free trade agreements (FTAs)" with foreign nations,

**Then** members of Congress who vote for TPA, vote to ignore the Constitution and thereby fail to "faithfully discharge the duties of the office" to which they were elected.

Some would argue that such congressmen, in violating their oath, are treasonous. Others might claim that they are "merely" guilty of failing to meet their moral and legal obligation to do as they swore they would do, tarnishing what the Founding Fathers guarded with their lives: their "sacred honor."

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In November, 2014, immediately upon the Republicans regaining majorities in both the House and the Senate, President Obama and Republican leadership pointed to free trade agreements as common ground on which they could work together. After months of campaigning on the promise of fighting the president on all the unilateral moves he makes, the Republicans now roll over and suggest granting him TPA, the authority for all the unilateral moves he can make in forming two devastating trade agreements: the

Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) and the

Trans-Atlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP).

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By John Malloy

That, indeed, is what TPA does. Granted, the Senate would have the opportunity to vote “yeah” or “nay” on the president’s secret unilateral negotiations, but if history is any indicator, the proposed FTAs will have to be rushed through the process and they “will have to pass them to see what’s in them.” So far, congressmen have been denied access to the groundwork already being laid for these FTAs. Only the global corporate interests who are instrumental in writing them have passwords for computer access. We can get a hint of what the secrecy might hold by reviewing what then-Secretary of State, the late Warren Christopher said in a 1995 speech entitled, “Charting a Transatlantic Agenda for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century:”

“The long term objective is the integration of the economies of North America and Europe, consistent with the principles of the WTO [World Trade Organization].” This “will align our efforts to promote transatlantic integration with the forces of integration around the world.”

One commonality among FTAs is the establishment of institutions of supranational governance to administer and rule on questions of international disagreements. As already seen in rulings by tribunals established by the WTO and NAFTA (North American Free Trade Agreement), this system of supranational governance subverts and supplants the Constitution.

So, logic is pretty simple, like connecting the dots.

- **If** TPA is passed by congress,
- **then** the TPP and the TTIP will be negotiated by only the president, albeit at the behest of the globalist ‘corporatacracy’ that has no national allegiance, and
- **If** the TTP and the TTIP are ratified by Congress,
- **then** it will be the death of our constitutional republic. And,
- **If** a congressman votes for TPA or the TTP or the TTIP that includes the supranational governance that subverts our Constitution,
- **then** that congressman is without honor, with blood-stained hands as an accomplice in the murder of the once great United States of America.

Call Senators Crapo and Risch and Representatives Labrador and Simpson.  
Ask them how they plan to vote.  
Ask them about their sacred honor.

# Schooling for World Government: UNESCO's Global Citizenship Education Forum Part 2

Written by [William F. Jasper](#) Sr. Editor New American Magazine



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The UNESCO document continues:

The global education agenda should be complemented by a “Framework for Action” to guide countries in operationalizing national education agendas, including setting national targets and indicators reflective of the diverse social, political, economic and cultural contexts. The Framework for Action should include an implementation strategy in which necessary operational mechanisms, supporting actions and enabling conditions for the implementation of global targets at national level will be spelled out, including partnerships, financial requirements, governance and accountability and monitoring.

## Red Targets

Among the UNESCO “targets” of the Framework we find: “All girls and boys participate in and complete a full cycle of free and compulsory quality basic education of at least 10 years, leading to relevant, recognized and measurable learning outcomes with a special focus on achieving gender equality.”

“Free and compulsory” is fully in accord with the aims of UNESCO — and the *Communist Manifesto*, Karl Marx’s infamous screed, which called for “Free education for all children in public schools.” By “public schools” Marx meant, of course, government schools, institutions controlled and run by the State and for the State. And far from being “free,” the schools advocated by Marx (and in operation now in virtually every nation of the world) would become ever more and more costly, paid for by the increasingly onerous taxes extracted from the “bourgeoisie,” the dwindling and struggling middle class. But the new Marxist schools would be free indeed, in the sense that they would be free of Christianity, morality, and parental rights and family influences.

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It is understandable that UNESCO's Irina Bokova is wholly in tune with this Marxist objective, since she has been steeped in communist ideology and discipline throughout her entire life. Born in 1952 into a family of Bulgarian Communist Party apparatchiks, her father, Georgi Bokova, was a leading communist propagandist and editor-in-chief of the party's official news organ. Mrs. Bokova was a youth member of the Bulgarian Communist Party, as well as an adult member, until 1990, when the Party changed its name to the Bulgarian Socialist Party (BSP), so that the communists could not only continue running Bulgaria as newly branded "socialists," but also benefit from the aid, loans, and investments being handed out by the United States and the European Union. She served two terms in the Bulgarian Parliament as a crypto-communist member of the BSP, and then served as foreign minister in the Cabinet of BSP Prime Minister Zhan Videnov, who was revealed to have been an agent of the Bulgarian branch of the KGB. Last year Bokova was officially awarded Bulgaria's highest national honor — the Order of Stara Planina — by president Rosen Plevneliev, who also was a lifelong Communist Party member, until joining the GERB, a socialist party led by current Bulgarian President Boyko Borisov, who is also a "former" Communist Party member.

### **"Affirm It From the Housetops"**

Back in the early 1950s, when UNESCO's radically subversive agenda was beginning to alarm many Americans, the organization's defenders, for the most part, denied that the UN agency was engaged in anything nefarious, and especially, loudly dismissed all charges that the UN was promoting world government. However, some of pro-UN forces took a different tack. One such was *The Saturday Review*, an unabashedly internationalist magazine that candidly admitted the UN/UNESCO plan for world government, and defended it in a 1952 editorial, explaining:

If UNESCO is attacked on the grounds that it is helping to prepare the world's peoples for world government, then it is an error to burst forth with apologetic statements and denials. Let us face it: the job of UNESCO is to help create and promote the elements of world citizenship. When faced with such a "charge," let us by all means affirm it from the housetops.

It is now time for all Americans who hope to salvage and resuscitate what's left of our national sovereignty and our society's post-Christian morality to denounce UNESCO's toxic immorality from the housetops — and to demand that our elected officials once again terminate our nation's membership in, and funding of, this dangerous and corrupt organization.

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## **Constitutional Defense** **by Lance Earl**

I have a few questions.

Who was the first president of the United States?

Did you answer George Washington? Actually, the first president was John Hanson. Seven additional presidents, including John Hancock, served between Hanson and Washington. Look it up!

Because we all have the right to vote, what form of government do we have?

Did you answer a democracy? After the Constitutional Convention, Elizabeth Powell asked Benjamin Franklin what form of government had been created. He answered, "A republic, madam, if you can keep it." Ours is a republic, or representative form of government. Never has there been any resemblance to a democracy. Look it up!

Are you prepared to describe natural rights?

I have asked this question many times and none have responded affirmatively. The Declaration of Independence speaks of unalienable rights that were endowed on every man by his Creator. The writings of the Founders expand and clarify our understanding of natural rights. These rights are most sacred. They predate and trump all government. By definition, government has no power to limit or remove natural rights. Look it up!

When I perceive a threat to the Constitution of the United States, I attack that threat with all my power. You see, I swore an oath to defend and protect the Constitution when I entered the service. When discharged, I was not released from that oath.

Those of you who never served in the armed forces are off the hook. That is, of course, unless you placed your hand over your heart and uttered, "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands...". To the republic for which it stands. What does that mean? The republic was formed when 9 of the 13 colonies ratified the Constitution. The Constitution was built on a foundation of natural rights.

Consider my three questions. Freedom is not free and all partakers have a duty. Have you met your obligation when you lack a basic understanding of our country's history? Or, when you have no understanding of the form and basic operation of our government system? Of most importance, have you earned your freedom at all, when we lack even an elementary understanding of the sacred foundations of our Constitution?

When I lash out in defense of the Constitution, I name names and give no quarter to those who have  
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failed in their duty. In the past weeks, I have directed my fight to members of my home town, Rockland, Idaho, leaders in local law enforcement, and legislators, federal and state. After I make my stand in the strongest way possible, I reach out and invite those I have named to join me in a frank discussion of the issue at hand.

Some residents of Rockland, Idaho are attempting to fund a veterans memorial with stolen money. They are attempting to employ a practice known as redistribution of wealth. Socialists love this concept. Liberty loving constitutionalists hate it. The founders called it leveling and they condemned it. Ezra Taft Benson called it "Legal Plunder", which he identified as a "sought-after prize of unscrupulous individuals". This effort violates the natural rights of every tax payer and generations of tax payers yet unborn. I contacted Kip Wilson, a member of the memorial committee, and asked if I could provide copies of the Constitution so that we might reason together and find the right path. He replied, "I am not interested in trying to change your perspective and have even less interest in explaining mine." It saddens me that a community leader can be so fixed in his own path that he is not receptive to the words of the Constitution, of his religious leaders, and of his God.

I landed hard on Pocatello Police Chief Scott Manchand and Bannock County Sheriff Lorin Nielsen for their stance on constitutional carry. Both returned my calls and we enjoyed frank and cordial discussions. Both have the same concerns and I respect their opinions. The bottom line, however, is that the current permit system violates natural and constitutional rights that are innate in every law abiding American.

I suggested an alternate solution that will make communities safer, preserve second amendment rights, and preserve privacy. Every firearms owner has a moral obligation to receive training in safe and efficient firearms practices and in defensive law. I suggested that we need a law that enhances penalties for negligent and reckless gun crime. Illegally deploying a firearm for conflict resolution or defense without proper training is both negligent and reckless. I further suggested that minimum training standards must be determined by a board of firearms instructors and not the state. The enhanced permit legislation has clarified Idaho's inability to get that one right. Finally, training records must be privately maintained by the firearms instructor and the gun owner, not the government.

Chief Marchand is in hard lock-down. He is unable to support his fears with local shooting incidents or records from states that have constitutional carry. I think he is driven by fear instead of fact.

Sheriff Nielsen, on the other hand, is supportive of the concept and is willing to support legislative efforts. I applaud and support him for his openness and willingness. I also exposed United States Senator Crapo and State Representative King for their violations of natural rights. Neither have responded to my communication. Figures! The fight for liberty is ongoing. It requires an aggressive and forceful defense, coupled with a willing and receptive hand. It is in the balancing of these two that I find difficulty.



## The UN & Their Comrades at the CFR

### *'The Folks Who Are Really Pulling Our Strings' by Rich Loudenback*

**FACT:** *The United Nations' mission is a deceitful and corrupt effort to control us and the rest of the world. It was created and is supported by internationalists who use it as their tool to methodically introduce specially designed issues and well-sounding national and global program solutions to supposedly deal with them while clandestinely steering our future toward a 'new world order,' a world government run by unaccountable, unelected global power elitists who know best for everyone. Quoting Bill Jasper of The New American magazine, "These programs are poison pills dressed as candy."*

These solutional [my word] 'programs' are always introduced with such professional lead-in's skillfully using words such as **'to foster greater respect and understanding between cultures.'**

Americans are fed up with the damaging effects and results of these programs' real intent endlessly taking away our freedoms, and our commerce. We especially are fed up with our declining prowess in factual education, especially as it pertains to our history and our form of government as a **republic** not a democracy, and our need to follow the greatest documents in the history of mankind, our Declaration of Independence, our Constitution and Bill of Rights. We are a nation of freedom loving Capitalists that should be demanding that the restricting shackles from too much government be removed by reversing and rescinding commerce crippling laws and regulations. **That hard work must be started or we are destined to continue going away as a sovereign nation. We certainly need to replace all elected representatives that don't buy into reversing this mess and taking us back to the 'responsible' Constitutional government and capitalist society that has bought us so far.**

I understand the UN's greed for power, but what **I can't understand for the life of me is how so many intelligent Americans who have been elected to represent our best interest, and absolutely should have understood their Oath to our Constitution not following that oath or not getting it. How can they not see, all this candy poisoning is killing our commerce and taking our freedoms? Unpatriotic, unconstitutionally minded politicians are either naïve, incompetent or corrupt. It matters not so much which it is, as it does that we recognize that they are our biggest problem.**

#### **THERE'S PLENTY OF CANDY**

We know the agencies and programs all too well: The EPA, IRS, FTC, FCC, Agenda 21, Common Core, Planned Parenthood, NAFTA and this list could go on and on. These agencies and programs' endless, unrelenting regulations in the countless thousands are ringing our lifeblood commerce and cherished freedoms out of us at breakneck speed. All these and many more have been seeded by UN dictates and through their comrades at the Council on Foreign Relations. And I'm really sorry to report that I've had too many people tell me lately that they think it's already over for the USA.

**Prior to approving any new legislation in U.S., state or local governments answering the following question should be required: Is it absolutely constitutional and really necessary?** Since so many slick, deep pocket backed, professional program originators interpret customized views of constitutionality to busy, probably overwhelmed and often naïve legislators these very legislators need to get in the habit of satisfying full understanding of issues through their own research by answering three other questions before proceeding.

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They are: **#1. Does the program speak to truth and historical fact? #2. Does the program invoke the idea of dependency?** Once created dependency on entitlements is so addictive it becomes politically difficult to eliminate. **#3. Does the legislation negatively affect our lifeblood commerce?** How and who are its counter effects or side effects affecting in commerce, financially and competitively?

We can no longer trust our elected officials. We've been doing that for way too long and look what they've done or let happen to us. We must watch their voting records at [idahofreedom.org](http://idahofreedom.org) and [jbs.org](http://jbs.org), let them know we're watching, tell others to do the same and then cull them when necessary at the voting booth. **Elected officials need to understand their obligations in order. It's the Constitution first, their constituents second and be damned with the party or any other influence if it circumvents these first two most important obligations.** Both parties have been following for too long the edicts of the UN and its comrade in world design and development of our politics, the duplicitous Council on Foreign Relations (CFR), who truly are the folks with the attitude: "We want you to do things our way because we know what's best for you."

#### **OUR SHADOWY REAL ESTABLISHMENT: THE CFR**

*On February 23, 1954, the late Senator William Jenner warned in a speech: "Today the path to total dictatorship in the United States can be laid by strictly legal means, unseen and unheard by the Congress, the President, or the people.... Outwardly we have a Constitutional government. **We have operating within our government and political system, another body representing another form of government a bureaucratic elite which believes our Constitution is outmoded and is sure that it is the winning side.... All the strange development in foreign policy agreements may be traced to this group who are going to make us over to suit their pleasure.... This political action group has its own local political support organizations, its own pressure groups, its own vested interests, its foothold within our government and its own propaganda apparatus."** – quoting author James Perloff in his book 'Shadows of Power'*

**"The word "Establishment" is a general term for the power elite in international finance, business, the professions and government, largely from the northeast, who wield most of the power regardless of who is in the White House. Most people are unaware of the existence of this "legitimate Mafia." Yet the power of the Establishment makes itself felt from the professor who seeks a foundation grant, to the candidate for a cabinet post or State Department job. It affects the nation's policies in almost every area.**

**"What is the Establishment's view-point? Through the Roosevelt, Truman, Eisenhower and Kennedy administrations its ideology is constant: That the best way to fight Communism is by a One World Socialist state governed by "experts" like themselves. The result has been policies which favor the growth of the super state, gradual surrender of the United States sovereignty to the United Nations and steady retreat in the face of Communist aggression."** – author James Perloff in his book 'Shadows of Power' quoting Edith Kermit Roosevelt, granddaughter of Teddy Roosevelt.

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*Shadows of Power* also quotes the late Admiral Chester Ward, former Judge Advocate General of the U.S. Navy who was invited into CFR membership and was shocked by what he discovered. Although he remained in the organization for nearly 20 years he remained one of its sharpest critics: **"Once the ruling members of the CFR have decided that the U.S. Government should adopt a particular policy, the very substantial research facilities of CFR are put to work to develop arguments, intellectual and emotional, to support the new policy, and to confound and discredit, intellectually and politically, any opposition."** And the CFR has 'Committees on Foreign Relations' in 38 cities around the U.S.

*Perloff continues:* "Few Americans know how a President chooses his administrators. The majority probably trust that, aside from an occasional political payoff, the most qualified people are sought and found. But the CFR's contribution cannot be overlooked. Pulitzer Prize winner Theodore White said that the **Council's "roster of members has for a generation, under Republican and Democratic administrations alike, been the chief recruiting ground for cabinet-level officials in Washington. The Christian Science Monitor once observed that "there is a constant flow of its members from private life to public service. Almost half of the council members have been invited to assume official government positions or to act as consultants at one time or another.**

**"Naturally, everyone would like to see world harmony and peace. But if the United States traded its sovereignty for membership in a world government, what would become of our freedoms, as expressed in the Bill of Rights? How would the rulers of this world government be selected? And how could a single, central authority equitably govern a planet that is so diversified. These are unanswered questions that have darkened the Councils crusade for globalism."** – *unquote from James Perloff* **(*Shadows of Power* can be purchased @ [jbs.org](http://jbs.org) for \$10.95)**

Perloff also reported in a special CFR report by *The New American* magazine in 1999 that since the council's founding in 1921, 21 secretaries of defense or war, 19 secretaries of the treasury, 17 secretaries of state and 15 CIA directors have hailed from the Council on Foreign Relations. (If you would like a free e-mailed PDF copy of this report contact me at [cdajbs@gmail.com](mailto:cdajbs@gmail.com).)

### **SOME NAMES THAT'LL SURPRISE YOU**

The back of Perloff's book lists all the current members of the CFR and some of the over 4500 names will probably surprise you. He notes: "Our listing of the names of those who hold membership in the Council on Foreign Relations is not meant to imply that all members are fully cognizant of the history of the organization or in agreement with its purposes as described in this book." I understand that most of these members do totally buy into the CFR agenda.

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Some notable names: **Tom Brokow, Richard R. Burt, Colin Powell**, Elliot Abrams, Madeleine Albright, Bruce Babbitt, Evan Bayh, **Michael Bloomberg**, Richard C. Blum, **John R. Bolton**, Zbigniew Brzezinski, **Richard B. Cheney**, **William Jefferson Clinton**, **Hillary Rodam Clinton**, Henry Cisneros, Alfonse D'Amato, Christopher Dodd, **Michael Douglas**, **Richard Dreyfuss**, **Timothy Geitner**, Richard Gephardt, David Gergen, **Newt Gingrich**, **Ruth Bader Ginsburg**, **Alan Greenspan**, **Chuck Hagel**, **Alexander M. Haig Jr.**, Richard G. Holbrook, Caroline Kennedy Bouvier, **John Kerry**, **Henry Kissinger**, **Morton Kondracke**, **Charles Krauthammer**, Paul R. Krugman, **Jim Lehrer**, **Joseph Lieberman**, **John S. McCain III**, **Rupert Murdoch**, **Janet Napolitano**, Sam Nunn, Henry Paulson, Thomas Pickering, **Colin L. Powell**, **Dan Rather**, **Condoleezza Rice**, **Susan Rice**, Charles Robb, David Rockefeller and David Rockefeller Jr, Charles Peete Rose, Jr, Robert Rubin, **Dianne Sawyer**, Brent Scowcroft, Donna Shalala, **Ron Silver**, Olympia Snow, **George Soros**, **John D Steinbruner**, **David Stern**, Lawrence Summers, Peter Tarnoff, **Fred D. Thompson**, Stansfield Turner, **Paul Volker**, Robert C Waggoner, **Sanford I. Weil**, Christine Todd Whitman, **Brian Williams**, **Judy Woodruff**, Janet Louise Yellen, Daniel H. Yergin, **Andrew Young**, James J. Zogby, and Mortimer Zuckerman.

Interestingly, **Richard R. Burt** has been recently announced as a senior advisor to **Rand Paul**. I think a Wow! is in order.

*Quoting Perloff again: "Under the tutelage of 12 CFR members which Bill Clinton selected for his cabinet we received NAFTA.*

And Andrew Reding of the World Policy Institute said: **"NAFTA will signal the formation, however tentatively, of a new political unit – North America. With economic integration will come political integration. By whatever name, this is an incipient form of international government. Following the lead of the Europeans, North Americans should begin considering formation of a continental parliament."** (Emphasis added.)

*Robert Pastor (CFR), a key architect of North American integration, acknowledged in the January/February 2004 issue of the CFR's publication Foreign Affairs: "NAFTA was merely the first draft of an economic constitution for North America."*

**And there's more to come.... Unless we inform others, especially legislators, stop it and roll it back!!!**



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## Checked Up on Your Legislators Lately?

By Rich Loudenback

Here are a few choice questions you could ask them: • Do they read the conservative media? • Do they really read their mail? • Do they honor their oath of office and really follow the Constitution in all their decision making? • Do they trust explicitly the mantra and hype of million dollar backed lobbyists without real research on truth they can count on?

Then since you should never trust at face value what any politician says no matter how truthful they appear you should verify their answers with their actual actions and their voting records. The voting record for the Idaho statehouse can be verified at [idahofreedom.org](http://idahofreedom.org) and for the U.S. Congress at [jbs.org](http://jbs.org). When they don't measure up cull them at the voting booth. And especially try to get friends start doing the same.

The reasons you need checking up on them are:

- Most of them are not honoring their oath like they should.
- Many like U.S. Senator James Risch reply quickly with warm and fuzzy emails that are rote replies probably handled by staff that really don't address your actual message, making it very obvious that your email wasn't taken seriously or maybe not read at all.
- Lobbyists promoters of the many different names of applications for a constitutional convention (Con-Con) are presenting their Con-Con pitches as a 'quick fix' to extremely frustrated legislators who are either too trusting/naïve, guilty of not doing their own research based on absolute facts or they are part of the problem (folks that are in it for all the wrong reasons).

### THE BIGGEST DECISION 'CRISIS' FACING OUR STATE LEGISLATORS TODAY

A constitutional convention could literally destroy our freedom loving sovereign nation overnight. A convention once called cannot be held to a single issue no matter what the poker faced professionals with millions of dollars behind them to hype their 'intentions,' say.

*As Joe Wolverton II, J.D. of The New American magazine states, "The undeniable fact is that there is nothing other than proponents' promises that can guarantee the rose-colored, conservative outcome promised by the COS, Compact for America, and other groups calling for this convention. Before jumping on that bandwagon, though, every one of us is under an obligation to do the research.*

"Balanced budget amendments, term limit amendments, and the various other "power to the people" amendments backed by the socialist wing of the Article V movement are all, in one way or another, contrary to the intent of the Founders and to the principles of liberty they enshrined in the Constitution.

"Remember, no matter how "conservative" or "constitutional" a group or individual claims to be, if their proposed amendments change the basic structure of the Constitution or alter even in the slightest the delicate balance of power provided by the Constitution, then you should realize that although their lips draw near to the Founders, their hearts are far from them.

**"The men behind these balanced budget, term limits, and other proposals overestimate their ability to have their way at a convention. All the ALEC (American Legislative Exchange Council) money in the world won't buy the cooperation of the socialists who are slaving at the thought of getting their hands on our Constitution.**

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**"Perhaps those who identify as conservatives pushing for the constitutional convention genuinely believe they can not only compose amendments that will survive the innumerable legal challenges that will undoubtedly plague them, but that they are possessed of the skill and sway necessary to get the Soros-funded progressive bloc of the convention to go along with them. It will never happen." - unquote**

The question is will legislators follow incredible professionally packaged deceitful hype or **will they truly do their own research on facts that reveal two things:** 1. The fatal risk to our Constitution and America as we've known it. And, 2. The propaganda and utter lies being presented to them.

### THE BIG BUY-IN IN THE CON-CON CON

**The most important point usually left out of the hype by Con-Con efforts is always the same. It's absolutely the most dangerous element of a Con-Con and it demands very clear understanding.** Without even mentioning the ruse of the convention control issue???

There is no way a Con-Con's 'very questionable, actual interests' delegates will send ratification to state legislatures risking success to lengthy, intense debate. They would do what our sage founders did, knowing the realities of their day. In 1787 they realized debating among the 13 state legislators would not bode well for all the hard work they had just put into that marvelous document. So they followed the part of Article V that current promoters don't acknowledge, unless forced to, and sent it to 9 states in special Ratifying Conventions thusly satisfying the  $\frac{3}{4}$  requirement and the very part un-mentioned today.

They used the optional, '**alternative for ratification**,' usually unstated by Con-Conites, but stated in Article V thusly: **"...or by conventions in three fourths thereof, as the one or the other mode of ratification may be proposed by the Congress; ..."**

Our other 'like' experience for ratification was the repealing of Prohibition in Utah by way of a 'Ratifying Convention' using Article V rules knowing the state legislature would not pass it.

Does anybody really believe, in this machinating world, that the incredibly slick well-orchestrated multi-million dollar forces behind these many Con-Con efforts would really leave it to chance with debating state legislatures? Hell no they wouldn't.

Do you believe there is one prospective 'special interest baggage free' delegate alive today that could closely measure up to the wisdom of our founders?

We don't have a constitution problem, we have an adherence problem. The 'fix' is law enforcement and nullification. That is the real serious effort that would surely work and needs being done.

I'm pleased to announce that I just received a report that the wise legislators of Montana just defeated 3 applications for Con-Cons. SJ7 - Convention of the States and HJ3 - Wolf PAC were both killed in committees and HJ4 - Balanced Federal Budget was voted down 77 - 23 plus Utah voted down the convention of the states. Now it's time for our Idaho wise men to step up.

Voters particularly will be watching who is voting "how" on this most dangerous issue. Count on it!

## **Con-Con Proponents Pull Out the Big Guns**

**By Rich Loudenback**

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Some constitutional convention (Con-Con) proponents have stooped to a new low: spreading the false rumor that George Soros is financing the JBS's "Choose Freedom --Stop a Con-Con" action project. Unfortunately, this false rumor has helped turn the battle in at least one state (New Hampshire). And it's starting to be used elsewhere.

First of all, where is the proof? All of our top donors are members. Second, The Young Turks, which is behind Wolf PAC, is a paid member of George Soros' Media Consortium network of progressive left-wing independent media. Wolf PAC is actively and aggressively promoting an Article V Convention! So Soros is indirectly involved in promoting an Article V Convention through Wolf PAC.

The proponents are running scared! They have rallied supporters and increased staff activity of the organizations supporting the Con-Con in the wake of our members shutting down the Con-Con resolutions in the State of Virginia. Think about that: Virginia is the home state of at least one of the biggest Con-Con promoters!

Plus, this is close to Washington, DC and it gave a wake-up call to all those in the vicinity of the Capital who are for a Con-Con to get busy. They have realized that for all of their committed efforts and money: they could lose.

Even Mark Levin recently made the on-air comment that his audience members better step it up or The John Birch Society could very well win!

As a result of our wins, a number of organizations and major personalities in the conservative movement have converged state-by-state to begin winning votes for a Con-Con. Each of these major personalities have responsibilities which they have temporarily abandoned to get the job done. These are responsibilities and tasks their members have donated for them to accomplish their Con-Con goal.

In addition, we have seen them flood the legislative halls with several resolutions in state after state, making it more difficult for our members to keep track of them, attend hearings that are close together, re-scheduled, and in general, making it hard to keep up with it all.

Millions of dollars have gone into this fight in favor of a Con-Con. And where is that money coming from? We wish we knew. Our budget is run on a shoestring compared to our opposition.

It is not much of an exaggeration to say that we are virtually alone in trying to stop all of this activity by a coalition of many, many liberal and conservative groups. There is really no other group actively opposing a Con-Con. It is up to each one of us.

We want to encourage you to keep up the fight, intensify your efforts where and when you can. We simply have to counter at this time the extra efforts being put into the battle by the pro-Con-Con groups.

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As you meet with your legislators, ask these questions:

1. If the federal government does not now adhere to the Constitution, why would they do so if it was changed for the better?
2. Is the Constitution the problem or those who implement it? If it is those who implement it, then the Constitution does not need to be changed. The politicians need to be changed.
3. Regarding a balanced budget amendment, do you realize that there is no standard Balanced Budget Amendment? It will be formulated in a convention.
4. Can a budget be balanced if the Federal Reserve is not part of the process?
5. Can a budget be balanced if off-budget items are not included? (Such as the U.S. Postal Service, Social Security, Medicare, Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae, ObamaCare, etc.)

If you cannot meet with your legislators, please call them and email them, over and over again until the legislature is out of session.

The forces we are up against in this fight mean business. Many of them want to change the Constitution, not simply amend it. Some of them want to get rid of the 2nd Amendment in its original wording, which makes us very suspicious of the conservatives who are cooperating with them in this initiative.

Now is the time for action. We can still win and shut them down in order to protect the fragile Constitution. Let's keep our momentum going! Contact your state legislators now!

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## Rationale for Convening an Article V Convention of States to Propose Limited-Topic Amendments to the U.S. Constitution by Evalyn Bennett

Do you trust the wisdom of the Founding Fathers who crafted the U.S. Constitution? If so, why do you not embrace the provision they made for the states to reset the balance of power between an increasingly tyrannical centralized government and the states whose authority has been usurped?

Article V describes two modes of amending the Constitution. The more common method has been for two-thirds of both houses of Congress to pass a proposed amendment, which is then sent to the states for ratification by three-fourths of both houses of the state legislatures. This method works well if, and only if, the three branches of federal government are functioning with a proper balance of power among the branches and between the centralized government and the states, AND if the centralized government is responsive to the citizens of the various states.

Given that none of these requisites are currently occurring, the states can, and should choose to, exert their authority to restore the citizens' and states' voice in national government. The Founding Fathers wisely provided for the STATES to be able to call a convention to propose amendments, when Congress becomes too self-centered and dysfunctional to do its job.

How long have you been waiting for term limits for Congress? How long have you been waiting for a Balanced Budget Amendment? (Did you know that 32 states called for a Convention of States for a BBA in the mid-1980s, when the debt was only 1.7 trillion?)

I rest my case that Congress will NEVER enact legislation to restrain its own spending or power. The current pattern of disregard for the U.S. Constitution by the executive branch, federal courts, and Congress will also continue, absent some key amendments that will restrain the power of the federal government.

I fully support an Article V Convention of States **as outlined by the Citizens for Self-Governance's Convention of States project** (see [conventionofstates.com](http://conventionofstates.com)). Two-thirds of the state legislatures must pass an IDENTICAL application to Congress for a convention that CAN ONLY address the three topics listed in the application: impose fiscal restraint on the federal government, limit the power and jurisdiction of the federal government; and institute term limits for its officials and for Congress. (See [conventionofstates.com](http://conventionofstates.com) "citizen's toolkit" - application.)

Because the purpose of the convention called by the states is limited to these conservative topics, there is no chance for a "runaway convention." In addition, three-fourths of both houses of the states' legislatures must ratify any amendments proposed by the delegates to this convention. Given the present conservative majority in both houses of 31 of the 50 states, it is currently impossible for a "progressive" amendment to be ratified. All it would take to "kill" an undesirable amendment is for **one** house of 13 states to refuse to ratify an amendment!

However, for this same reason, now is the time to hold a Convention of the States. If enough state legislatures (34) pass the application in 2015, Congress must call for the convention to be held. If the convention completes its business in 2016, those conservative legislatures could ratify the amendments in short order and begin to restore sanity to our federal government. Holding the convention in 2016 would also make the rights of the citizens and states a paramount question for the Presidential race.

What kinds of amendments do I believe should be discussed at this convention?

**Repeal of the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> amendments.** Both of these amendments upset the balance of power between the states and the federal government. Senators can no longer be recalled by their state legislatures for failing to represent the state (a state-initiated impeachment, if you will). And senators chosen by the electorate are more easily lobbied by special interest groups from within and outside their states. The income tax has given the federal government an unrestricted flow of cash to fund programs that far exceed constitutional authority. Taxation should not be directly from the citizens to the federal government. The citizens should pay taxes to the states and local government, so they retain authority over how the money is spent. Absent a repeal of the income

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tax, the maximum collection authorized should be 10% - the federal government deserves no more than the Lord!

**An amendment defining term limits for Congress (12 years) and federal court justices (also 12 years).**

**A balanced budget amendment.** (If just two more states had applied for the COS in the '80s, this might now be a part of our Constitution.)

**A "single-subject" amendment**, requiring that proposed legislation be on single topics, with no provision for amendments unrelated to the bill's topic. I would also favor requiring all legislation to record the relevant Article and Section of the U.S. Constitution which authorizes the legislation.

**An amendment authorizing three-fifths of the U.S. House and Senate OR three-fifths of the states' legislatures to override a majority Supreme Court decision, without provision for Presidential veto or court litigation or review.** Sample SCOTUS rulings that could be reversed by the states include Roe v. Wade and the Affordable Care Act.

**An amendment authorizing three-fifths of the states' legislatures to repeal previously enacted federal legislation.** Would you like to get rid of unconstitutional agencies and programs? The National Environmental Policy Act and its implementing regulations? The Endangered Species Act?

**An amendment outlining a process for the states and/or citizens of a state to recall U.S. Senators and Congressmen.** Right now our only recourse is impeachment - and Congress will never impeach one of its own.

**An amendment to eliminate the "lame duck" session of Congress.** New members should be sworn in two weeks after the General Election, excepting those in contested races. It is ridiculous that representatives who are voted out of office can still enact legislation contrary to the wishes of their constituents. (The Presidential inauguration would still remain in January because of the time needed for the Electoral College and Congress to meet.)

**An amendment establishing that a state's electors to the Electoral College are apportioned with two votes based on the statewide popular vote and the remaining electors based on the popular vote within each Congressional District.** This would restore the voice of the people within rural states, by providing for some electors to be apportioned based on the popular vote at the congressional district level. Right now the Constitution allows each state to establish its own manner of choosing electors. Unless conservative states implement this change nation-wide, liberal urban areas in a handful of states will continue to choose the President.

**An amendment stating that all federal departments and agencies shall expire if those entities are not individually reauthorized in stand-alone reauthorization bills every three years by a three-fifths vote of the House and Senate.** Such an amendment would do much to dismantle the unconstitutional fourth branch of government and its implementing regulations and law enforcement. The bureaucracy is a gross usurpation of power by the executive branch.

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In closing, I wish to address a concern citizens may have about the logistics of a convention. Let me ask you: Have you ever attended a convention? What was most important to you - the agenda or the venue? Did you trust someone else to arrange the details of the convention, or did you plan it yourself? Citizens have already been working on the logistics of the convention. The primary "detail" of the agenda is already prescribed by the three topics in the application. It is a convention of the states, so each state chooses and sends delegates to the convention. Regardless of the number of delegates sent by a state, each state has one vote. I think we can trust others to decide when and where the convention will be held. And we can trust our state to develop a process for selecting trustworthy citizens to be delegates (including provision to recall any delegate whose conduct steps outside the boundaries of the convention's purpose).

A limited-topic Article V Convention of the States is an effective, Constitution-based means of restoring the power and authority of government to the sovereign states and the citizens of those states. I trust that Almighty God, who is Supreme Governor of us all and established this nation from sea to shining sea, will favor a Convention of States if it is His will. He provided the Article V Convention of States as a means by which we could maintain the greatest expression of self-governance and freedom the world has ever known. If we don't convene a Convention of States, one thing is guaranteed: Our freedoms will continue to be usurped by the federal government. I would rather risk the fight for freedom in the halls of a Convention of States than passively wait for the federal government to mind its own business - which it never will.

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## PUBLIC INFORMATION AND SUPPOSED HIGHER EDUCATION

By Chris Pentico

When I saw the story ABOUT Idaho State University wanting to drag its feet and charge the Amico family \$1235.00 for public information involving renovations of their President's house, I was reminded of a few things.

How much money did Idaho State University waste on a cancelled AR-15 purchase?

What safety procedures and devices needed to be installed on the Idaho State University campus because the Guns on Campus legislation exposed federal law was not being followed? I believe the two-word phrase bandied about at the state capitol was "weapons-grade," if you catch my drift.

Was this a prejudicial charging of fees like Boise State University tried last April and May to stifle free speech and accountable government? I also remember a Boise State University information request around ten years ago involving liberal speaker bias and a threat of a processing fee around \$240. The fee was waived, but their university budget was called into question by many behind the scenes.

When I examined the employee salary pay list for the entire state of Idaho over the past week, I discovered a few things. This information is available from the Transparent Idaho website. Two of our institutions of higher education have employees not getting state minimum wage (\$7.25); these were Lewis and Clark State College and Boise State University. Lewis and Clark State College has four adjunct faculty making \$7.00 an hour. Boise State University has a teacher making \$6.46 an hour and a teacher's assistant making \$6.81 an hour. Oops! I wonder if the people desiring to raise the state minimum wage are willing to pursue enforcement with these two institutions?

Only Lewis and Clark State College and Eastern Idaho Technical College listed faculty and some administrator annual salaries and should be commended for being forthright; University of Idaho, Idaho State University, and Boise State University did conversions into hourly rates to obscure who is paid what for salaried employees. You do not get a breakdown if your professor or instructor is part of the chemistry, english, or art department from this list; this is not the responsibility of the State Controller's Office. This makes it hard to compare if an employee is making the going rates in the private sector or at other institutions of higher education. Furthermore, if you ask a tenured or tenure-track university professor, they will tell you they sign a yearly contract and are salaried. Even though the universities provided the information as required, they were evasive in their presentation.

Boise State University also likes to breakdown tasks the most and this actually can get them into trouble. They have tenured faculty listed as both part-time adjunct faculty and as full-time assistant, associate, or full professors, which is theoretically impossible. The word "adjunct" comes from "adjunctive," which means "something added to another thing, but is not an essential part of it." The wording of Boise State University policy #4220 restricts adjunct faculty to less than 75% full-time employment (30 hours or less in a week). There are approximately 240 of these double listed people.

The correct thing to do is adjust the salaries of these Boise State University professors to compensate for these "adjunct" listings and do away with "adjunct" listings. This does not absolve Finance and Management administrators of their sloppy bookkeeping. As it stands, you cannot tell how much money needs to be dedicated to salaries from their salary employee list.

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The adjunct faculty count is also important when it comes to an educational institution's accreditation. If you have too many adjunct faculty in the english or the mathematics departments, the accreditation of those departments or the university can be challenged. Without accreditation, your degree becomes devalued. Have these University administrators lied to the public or the accreditation boards on the inclusion or exclusion of these double listed tenured professors?

The education journals also have no problems saying adjunct faculty is cheap labor. The standard wage for adjunct faculty at Boise State University is \$10.00 per hour for just over 550 employees in this category; this list includes the aforementioned 240 professors. There are only four adjunct faculty that do not earn \$10.00 per hour and the top two are misclassified as adjunct faculty; one is a geosciences research associate that makes \$412.89 per hour and the other is grants/project coordinator that makes \$149.12 per hour.

Representative Melissa Wintrow (D) is also listed as an adjunct faculty twice. Representative Sue Chew (D) is usually listed as adjunct faculty, but is not on the current list; she is devoting her time to the legislature. Other classifications like "Academic Employee – Other" can be nebulous and misleading too; Clifford R. Bayer is a Senior Research Associate in the College of Health Science and falls under this classification. Don't we have a Republican state senator named Cliff Bayer?

My concerns are not the regular employees, but the administrators of these public higher education institutions. To fight an administrator could cost a regular employee his or her job. At Idaho State University in 2009, the university president did fire a tenured civil engineering professor, Sadid Habib. Sadid Habib brought up a university political issue and publicly criticized it to the dismay of his superiors. The firing caused a vote of no confidence in their faculty senate which prompted a reorganization of their faculty senate. This ordered faculty senate reorganization violated the faculty's right to association under the First Amendment and was supported by the State Board of Education. With respect to if Mr. Sadid Habib concerns were protected speech, that is a gray area in law where court cases outside of academia add to a growing trend to say "no." This also puts into question what are the limits of tenure and what does tenure mean; tenure is the reason why your university professors and instructors are non-classified employees.

One problem is State code 67-5303(j) has placed some people in the "non-classified" category while contradicting the definitions in 67-5302. For the Californians, we would be using the words exempt and non-exempt instead of classified and non-classified. For example, "performance clauses" for athletic coaches causes a problem due to "merit." Furthermore, the inclusion of "officers" also creates "conflicts of interest" which makes "due process" under the 14<sup>th</sup> Amendment impossible to implement. This use of the word "Officer" means your deans, directors, vice-presidents, and university presidents are now non-classified. This 67-5303(j) subsection should be revised and reworded. This belongs in either the House or Senate Commerce & Human Resources Committees with both the Joint Finance and Appropriations Committee and the two House Committees being informed of the details. Please contact Representative Hartgen and Senator Tippetts in this regard.

In the private sector, if a contract goes awry, you pay it off. With classified employees in the public sector you can do this as well. With non-classified employees you do not have this option. This does not mean that a classified employee has done anything wrong if their contract is not continued. Management could be looking at approaching matters in a different direction than that employee was pursuing. This is the incentive for our public university presidents to push for these changes. It is part of their power as well.

My personal opinion is the Amico family hit upon the Idaho State University president's wish list of items, which he wished to be unexamined and unquestioned for submission to the State Board of Education. The Amico family is being punished for "asking for fiscal accountability." This lack of looking into expenditures would translate into higher fees and tuition if expenditures are not questioned. The Amico family should be thanked for their courage. [http://www.idahostatejournal.com/members/family-seeks-to-raise-money-through-gofundme-com-to-get/article\\_25db349a-aafe-11e4-802a-af20f4127831.html](http://www.idahostatejournal.com/members/family-seeks-to-raise-money-through-gofundme-com-to-get/article_25db349a-aafe-11e4-802a-af20f4127831.html)

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