



COMPACT COMMISSION
COMPACT FOR A BALANCED BUDGET
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**YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE FIRST FULL MEETING
OF THE COMPACT COMMISSION
OF THE COMPACT FOR A BALANCED BUDGET**

MAY 25, 2016

11:30 AM – 2:00 PM

**ROOM 2325, RAYBURN HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING
WASHINGTON, DC**

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THE COMPACT FOR A BALANCED BUDGET COMMISSION FORUM

Room 2325 Rayburn House Office Building

Washington, DC

May 25, 2016

Commissioners

The Honorable Paulette Rakestraw, Commission Chair (Presiding), Georgia State Assembly

The Honorable Mead Treadwell, Commissioner, Vice Chair, Alaska Lt. Governor (fmr.)

The Honorable Greg Snowden, Commissioner, Mississippi Speaker Pro Tem

I. Opening Statements by the Commissioners

II. Panel 1: Why the Balanced Budget Compact?

- A. Kevin Gutzman, JD, PhD, Chairman of the History Department, Western Connecticut State University, on “How and Why the Federal Government Got into Its Current Fiscal Predicament”
- B. Chip DeMoss, CPA, Chief Executive Officer/Treasurer, Compact for America Educational Foundation, Inc., on “Why Adding a Balanced Budget Requirement to the Constitution is Necessary”
- C. Dean Clancy, MS, Partner, Adams Auld LLC, on “Why Washington Needs the Help of the States in Getting to a Balanced Budget Amendment”

III. Panel 2: The Balanced Budget Compact and Article V of the Constitution

- A. Nick Dranias, JD, President and Executive Director, Compact for America Educational Foundation, Inc., on “Why the Compact for a Balanced Budget Honors Both the Letter and Spirit of Article V of the Constitution”
- B. Ilya Shapiro, JD, Senior Fellow in Constitutional Studies, The Cato Institute, on “How the Compact for America Approach Strengthens Article V Procedures”
- C. Andy Welch, Georgia State Assembly member, Partner, Smith, Welch law firm, on “How the Compact for America Approach Comforts Legislators”

IV. Panel 3: The Balanced Budget Compact and the U.S. Economy

- A. Sven Larson, PhD, Senior Fellow, Wyoming Liberty Institute, on “Why the Compact for America Balanced Budget Amendment will Bolster Economic Growth”
- B. Stephen Moore, Distinguished Visiting Fellow, Project for Economic Growth, The Heritage Foundation, on “How the Compact for America Amendment will Limit Spending and Improve the Chances for Pro-Growth Tax Reform”

V. Panel 4: The Balanced Budget Compact, Congress and the States

- A. Curtis Olafson, former North Dakota State Senator, on “Why Requiring State Approval of Debt Limit Increases Is a Critical Component for a Balanced Budget Amendment”
- B. The Honorable Paul Gosar, DDS, on “Why Congress Should Partner with the States under Article V of the Constitution By Adopting House Concurrent Resolution 26”