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New Hampshire

New Hampshire Convention's Proposed Amendments, 21 June 1788

First—That it be explicitly declared that all Powers not expressly & particularly delegated by the aforesaid Constitution are reserved to the several States to be by them exercised.—

Secondly—That there shall be one Representative to every Thirty Thousand Persons according to the Census mentioned in the Constitution untill the whole number of Representatives amounts to two hundred—

Thirdly—That Congress do not Exercise the Powers vested in them by the fourth Section of the first Article, but in Cases when a State shall neglect or refuse to make the regulations therein mentioned, or shall make regulations subversive of the rights of the People to a free and equal Representation in Congress, nor shall Congress in any case make regulations contrary to a free and equal Representation—

Fourthly—That Congress do not lay direct Taxes but when the money arising from Impost, Excise & their other resources are insufficient for the Publick Exigencies; nor then untill Congress shall have first made a requisition upon the STATES to assess Levy and pay their respective proportions of such requisition agreeably to the Census fixed in the said Constitution in such way and manner as the Legislature of the State shall think best, & in such case if any State shall neglect then Congress may assess & Levy such State's proportion together with the interest thereon at the rate of six Per Cent pr. Annum from the Time of payment prescribed in such requisition—

Fifthly—That Congress erect no Company of Merchants with exclusive advantages of Commerce.—

Sixthly—That No Person shall be Tryed for any Crime by which he may incur an infamous punishment or loss of Life untill he be first Indicted by a Grand Jury except in such Cases as may arise in the Government and regulations of the Land & Naval forces.—

Seventhly—All Common Law Cases between Citizens of different States, shall be commenced in the Common Law Courts of the respective STATES and no appeal shall be allowed to the federal Court in such Cases, unless the sum or value of the thing in controversy amount to Three Thousand Dollars.—

Eighthly—In Civil Actions between Citizens of different States, every Issue of fact arising in Actions at Common Law, shall be Tried by a Jury if the parties or either of them request it—

Ninthly—Congress, shall at no time consent that any Person holding an Office of Trust or profit under the UNITED STATES shall accept an Title of Nobility or any other title or Office from any King, Prince or foreign STATE.—

Tenthly—That no Standing Army shall be kept up in Time of Peace, unless with the consent of three fourths of the Members of each branch of Congress nor shall Soldiers in Time of Peace be quartered upon private Houses without the Consent of the Owners.—

Eleventhly—Congress shall make no Laws touching Religion or to infringe the rights of Conscience—

Twelfthly—Congress shall never disarm any Citizen, unless such as are or have been in actual Rebellion.—

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