Originating a BBA via Article V - Key Decision Point Matrix

Decision Point	Drafting Convention Approach (COS & BBATF)	Specific Amendment Approach (CFA)	Risk- Minimized Approach
1 Method used to organize the states	None	An interstate compact agreement	CFA
2 Has the approach been successfully completed before?	No	Article V - no Interstate compacts - yes, over 200 compacts are currently in existence and most states are members of 20+ compacts	CFA
3 What is the timeframe to complete the process?	7-10 years	12-24 months	CFA
4 Who controls the process?	It is unclear	The states instruct the delegates through the compact, the delegates vote in the rules, and Congress consents to the process	CFA
5 What is the envisioned convention duration?	6-12 months	24 hours	CFA
6 Is the amendment language known in advance?	No - only convention scope limitation is addressed	Yes - amendment language is pre-drafted at the start of the process and known to all	CFA
7 How many committees/subcommittees will be required?	Possibly 50 or more	1	CFA
8 How many legislative actions are required?	83-150+ (low-end assumes barebones approach & 17 BBA apps; high- end replicates CFA features)	39 (38 state actions and 1 Congressional action)	CFA
9 Will approach address the objectives of COS, BBATF, CFA, and NDRA?	Unknown	Yes	CFA
10 Can the approach be easily repeated in the future?	No	Yes	CFA
11 Is there a binding agreement among the states?	No	Yes	CFA
12 Do convention rules favor the several states?	Unknown	Yes	CFA
13 Are the concerns of the Eagle Forum resolved?	No	Yes	CFA
14 Are there gaps left to be filled by Congress?	Yes	No	CFA
15 Are new applications required?	Yes	Yes	Both
16 Will state supervision of the federal debt limit be proposed?	Unknown	Yes	CFA
17 Who votes, each state or a Congress-sized delegation?	Unknown	Each state gets one vote	CFA
18 What are the funding requirements?	\$100 million	\$25 million	CFA
19 Is the entire process approved by Congress upfront?	No	Yes	CFA
20 What is the risk of opponents derailing the process?	Very high due to the number of legislative actions required and the extended timeframe	Moderate	CFA
21 Is the delegate selection process known upfront?	Maybe	Yes	CFA
22 Are the delegates known in advance?	Maybe	Yes	CFA
23 Are the delegates' actions restricted upfront?	Maybe	Yes	CFA
24 Does the approach reciprocally obligate the states to each other?	No	Yes	CFA