

Senator Mary Landrieu: Don't Recall—Nullify!

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Senator Mary Landrieu is confronting the unprecedented effort of her constituents mounting an effort to recall her. She, like the rest of the ruling elite in Washington, D.C., earned the wrath of her constituents by arrogantly ignoring the expressed will of citizens while attempting to force “we the people” to subserviently submit to their will by ramming unpopular legislation through Congress.

While the technical feasibility of recalling a sitting U.S. Senator is open to debate—the fact that “we the people” need a way to effectively discipline an out of control federal political establishment is several trillions of dollars beyond question! Even if the effort to recall Senator Landrieu were to be successful it would only be a temporary, tactical, victory in the larger battle against big government. It would indeed be an impressive victory; a victory just like the Brown victory in Massachusetts that would temporarily encourage conservatives while demoralizing liberals and nominal socialists in Washington. But in the long run it would have no permanent effect on America’s political status quo—a status quo that is designed to maintain incumbency and federal supremacy over “we the people.”

The only way the Leviathan of big government in Washington, D. C. will be slain is to remove the unconstitutional ideology of federal supremacy from America’s political lexicon. Today the federal government is sovereign; the federal government is our political master; only the federal government can determine if it has the constitutional authority to encroach upon rights once thought to be reserved to “we the people” within our once sovereign state. The power, perks, and privileges available to the ruling elite who control the federal political status quo is sufficient to overwhelm efforts of conservatives trying to “conserve” limited government—a battle conservatives have yet to realize they lost years ago! Anti-Federalists have a unique idea—one dating back to the original Constitution. The only way for “we the people” to control the federal government is to reclaim the right of “we the people” within our Sovereign State to nullify unconstitutional, oppressive, or immoral acts of our agent the federal government. This would destroy the current top (ruling elite) down (“we the people”) political status quo. This would once again make the government subservient to the people.

All that is necessary to permanently remove the current tax, borrow, and spend federal government is to pass a constitutional amendment acknowledging the State’s Right of nullification—a right that existed with the adoption of the Constitution in 1789 and endorsed by Madison and Jefferson in their Resolves of 1798. The political status

quo will not discipline itself—“we the people” must find the tools necessary to do the job ourselves. With the power of nullification we will have the ability to discipline an out of control federal government. One strategic victory in the struggle against big government is better than a hundred tactical victories!

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