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You are America's last, best hope of being a nation of politically informed citizens. I am one of the many millions who love you, except when I am trying to get through on a call-in show.

SUGGESTION #I: 'American Legion' magazine sponsors an outlet for opinion ^{via} recording service at a \$1.00 charge called "VETVOICE". You could satisfy many of us who cannot become first time callers in a similar way, while maybe making a few bucks, at least enough to cover the calls. You could have programs that simply play the recorded messages of the C-Span viewers.

SUGGESTION #II: many grassroots Americans are full of political reform ideas. Why not ask for viewers to send in a brief summary, typewritten or wordprocessor-written, (and one hundred words or less,) describing an important change in the process of government at any level. Have them send these to a special place, to be coordinated by category and publicized, (without the name of the citizen, perhaps). I would love to hear what kinds of

ideas others have,

On this thought, here are some that
I believe are good for the country:
(Bet you knew that was coming, didn't you?)

I. NATIONAL BUDGET PRIORITY REFERENDUM EVERY TWO YEARS

A. LIST THE APPROPRIATIONS
OF THE FEDERAL GOVT
ON A SPECIAL BALLOT

(HAVE LAST
FIVE YEARS
IN BILLIONS)

(For space, perhaps the TOP TEN EXPENDITURES)

B. PROVIDE A SPACE BESIDE
EACH ITEM FOR THE VOTER
TO INDICATE:

- 1) Increase level of Spending Significantly
- 2) Decrease level of Spending Significantly
- 3) Maintain level of Spending / has 7 Years level
- 4) Eliminate this Expenditure
- 5) Increase Slightly
- 6) Decrease Slightly
- 7) RELATION TO OTHER EXPENDITURES
OF PRIORITY IF CUTS ARE NECESSARY

C. THIS WOULD BE THE CITIZEN'S
'LINE ITEM VETO'!

II. FAMILY GRIEVANCE RESOLUTION NETWORKS

A. LEGALIZE GRASSROOTS PARALEGAL VOLUNTARY
ORGANIZATIONS TO PROVIDE ALTERNATIVES
TO LAWYERS, JUDGES, COURTS, AND
"NO-FAULT DIVORCE"

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