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Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to balance the Federal budget.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BROUN of Georgia (for himself, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. GINGREY of Georgia, Mr. JONES, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. ROONEY, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Ms. GRANGER, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. PITTS, Mr. MCCOTTER, and Mr. DUNCAN) introduced the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to balance the Federal budget.

1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled*
3 *(two-thirds of each House concurring therein),* That the fol-
4 lowing article is proposed as an amendment to the Con-
5 stitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all
6 intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when
7 ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several
8 States within seven years after the date of its submission
9 for ratification:

1 “SECTION 7. The Congress shall enforce and imple-
2 ment this article by appropriate legislation, which may rely
3 on estimates of outlays and receipts.

4 “SECTION 8. All outlays above revenues from the pre-
5 vious fiscal year must be accounted for in the outlays and
6 budgets of the following fiscal year.

7 “SECTION 9. All surplus revenues at the end of a fis-
8 cal year shall be allocated to a fund to be returned to the
9 taxpayers. The method of return to the taxpayers must
10 be determined by legislation before the end of the subse-
11 quent fiscal year.

12 “SECTION 10. Total receipts shall include all receipts
13 of the United States Government except those derived
14 from borrowing. Total outlays shall include all outlays of
15 the United States Government including those for debt
16 service and other debt functions.

17 “SECTION 11. This article shall take effect beginning
18 with the second fiscal year beginning after its ratifica-
19 tion.”.

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