

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. HJ0003

Balanced budget amendment resolution.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Stubson and Laursen and
Senator(s) Perkins

A JOINT RESOLUTION

for

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION petitioning Congress to call a
2 convention to propose amendments to the Constitution of the
3 United States to require a balanced federal budget.

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5 WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of Wyoming is
6 petitioning the Congress of the United States to call a
7 convention to propose amendments to the Constitution of the
8 United States to require a balanced federal budget.

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10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE
11 LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING:

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13 **Section 1.** That pursuant to Article V of the
14 Constitution of the United States, the Legislature of the
15 State of Wyoming petitions the Congress of the United
16 States of America, at its session, to call a convention of

1 the states limited to proposing an amendment to the
2 Constitution of the United States requiring that in the
3 absence of a national emergency, including, but not limited
4 to, an attack by a foreign nation or terrorist organization
5 within the United States of America, the total of all
6 federal appropriations made by the Congress for any fiscal
7 year may not exceed the total of all estimated federal
8 revenues for that fiscal year, together with any related
9 and appropriate fiscal restraints.

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11 **Section 2.** That this application is to be considered
12 as covering the balanced budget amendment language of the
13 presently outstanding balanced budget applications from
14 other states, including, but not limited to, previously
15 adopted applications from Alabama, Alaska, Arkansas,
16 Colorado, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa,
17 Kansas, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Mississippi,
18 Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico,
19 North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South
20 Dakota, Tennessee, Texas and Utah. This application shall
21 be aggregated with those applications for the purpose of
22 attaining the two-thirds (2/3) of states necessary to
23 require the calling of a convention for proposing a

1 balanced budget amendment, but shall not be aggregated with
2 any applications on any other subject.

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4 **Section 3.** That this application constitutes a
5 continuing application in accordance with Article V of the
6 Constitution of the United States until the legislatures of
7 at least two-thirds (2/3) of the several states have made
8 applications on the same subject. This application
9 supersedes all previous applications by this legislature on
10 the same subject.

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12 **Section 4.** That the Secretary of State of Wyoming
13 transmit copies of this resolution to the President of the
14 United States, to the President of the Senate and the
15 Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United
16 States Congress, to the Wyoming Congressional Delegation
17 and to the presiding officers of each of the legislative
18 houses in the several states, requesting their cooperation.

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