

HJRES 22

Proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Economics and Public Finance

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Rep. Edwards, Chet [D-TX-17]	D · TX		Jun 7, 2005

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 4, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Economics and Public Finance

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HJRES 98	Related bill	Sep 28, 2006: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.
109 HJRES 74	Related bill	Feb 16, 2006: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution.

Summary (as of Feb 17, 2005)

Constitutional Amendment - Prohibits outlays for a fiscal year (except those for repayment of debt principal) from exceeding total receipts for that fiscal year (except those derived from borrowing) unless Congress, by a three-fifths rollcall vote of each House, authorizes a specific excess of outlays over receipts.

Requires a three-fifths rollcall vote of each House to increase the public debt limit.

Directs the President to submit a balanced budget to Congress annually.

Prohibits any bill to increase revenue from becoming law unless approved by a majority of each House by rollcall vote.

Authorizes waivers of these provisions when a declaration of war is in effect or under other specified circumstances involving military conflict.

Requires the appropriate congressional committees to report implementing legislation to achieve a balanced budget without increasing the receipts or reducing the disbursements of the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund and the Federal Disability Insurance Trust Fund to achieve that goal.

Actions Timeline

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