

## SJRES 38

A joint resolution proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Economics and Public Finance

**Introduced:** Aug 3, 2010

**Current Status:** Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 511.

**Latest Action:** Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 511. (Aug 4, 2010)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/111th-congress/senate-joint-resolution/38>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. DeMint, Jim [R-SC]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** SC • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

*No committee referrals or activity are recorded for this bill.*

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Economics and Public Finance

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 HJRES 89	Related bill	<b>Jul 26, 2010:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.
111 HJRES 78	Related bill	<b>Jun 15, 2010:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.
111 SJRES 27	Identical bill	<b>Feb 4, 2010:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
111 HJRES 75	Related bill	<b>Feb 3, 2010:</b> Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.
111 HJRES 43	Related bill	<b>Jun 12, 2009:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.
111 HJRES 1	Related bill	<b>Feb 9, 2009:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

## Summary (as of Aug 3, 2010)

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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 two-thirds rollcall vote of each chamber, authorizes a specific excess of outlays over receipts.

Requires a two-thirds rollcall vote of each chamber to increase the public debt limit.

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

Requires a two-thirds rollcall vote of each chamber before final adoption of any bill to increase internal revenue.

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

## Actions Timeline

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- **Aug 4, 2010:** Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 511.
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