

SJRES 24

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

Congress: 112 (2011–2013, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Economics and Public Finance

Introduced: Aug 2, 2011

Current Status: Failed of passage in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 21 - 79. Record Vote Number: 228.

Latest Action: Failed of passage in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 21 - 79. Record Vote Number: 228. (Dec 14, 2011)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Udall, Mark [D-CO]

Party: Democratic • **State:** CO • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Baucus, Max [D-MT]	D · MT		Aug 2, 2011
Sen. Manchin, Joe, III [D-WV]	D · WV		Aug 2, 2011
Sen. McCaskill, Claire [D-MO]	D · MO		Aug 2, 2011
Sen. Nelson, Ben [D-NE]	D · NE		Aug 2, 2011
Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]	D · FL		Aug 2, 2011

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Nov 30, 2011

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Economics and Public Finance

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 HJRES 89	Related bill	Dec 2, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution.
112 HJRES 54	Related bill	Jul 11, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution.
112 HJRES 1	Related bill	Jun 23, 2011: Placed on the House Calendar, Calendar No. 49.
112 HJRES 41	Related bill	Feb 28, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution.
112 SJRES 3	Related bill	Jan 26, 2011: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
112 HJRES 4	Related bill	Jan 24, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution.
112 HJRES 10	Related bill	Jan 24, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution.
112 HJRES 18	Related bill	Jan 24, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution.

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 roll call vote of each chamber, authorizes a specific excess of outlays over receipts.

Excludes receipts (including attributable interest) and outlays of the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund and the Federal Disability Insurance Trust Fund, or either of their successor funds, from consideration as receipts or outlays for purposes of this Amendment.

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

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

Prohibits Congress from passing any bill that provides a net reduction in individual income taxes for those with incomes over \$1 million (as may be adjusted by Congress to account for inflation) if, after enactment, total outlays would exceed total receipts in any fiscal year affected by the bill.

Prohibits a federal or state court from ordering any reduction in the Social Security benefits authorized by law, including any benefits provided from the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund, the Federal Disability Insurance Trust Fund, or either of their successor funds.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 14, 2011:** Considered by Senate. (consideration: CR S8565-8567)
- **Dec 14, 2011:** Failed of passage/not agreed to in Senate: Failed of passage in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 21 - 79. Record Vote Number: 228.
- **Dec 14, 2011:** Failed of passage in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 21 - 79. Record Vote Number: 228.
- **Dec 13, 2011:** Senate Committee on the Judiciary discharged by Unanimous Consent as pursuant to the Budget Control Act of 2011.
- **Dec 13, 2011:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S8507-8508)
- **Nov 30, 2011:** Committee on the Judiciary Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights and Human Rights. Hearings held. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 112-512.
- **Aug 2, 2011:** Introduced in Senate
- **Aug 2, 2011:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.