

SJRES 3

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to balancing the budget.

Congress: 112 (2011–2013, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Economics and Public Finance

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Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (Jan 26, 2011)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Hatch, Orrin G. [R-UT]

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

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| Sen. Barrasso, John [R-WY] | R · WY | | Jan 26, 2011 |
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| Sen. Hoeven, John [R-ND] | R · ND | | Jan 26, 2011 |
| Sen. Inhofe, James M. [R-OK] | R · OK | | Jan 26, 2011 |
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| Sen. Kirk, Mark Steven [R-IL] | R · IL | | Jan 26, 2011 |
| Sen. Lugar, Richard G. [R-IN] | R · IN | | Jan 26, 2011 |
| Sen. McCain, John [R-AZ] | R · AZ | | Jan 26, 2011 |
| Sen. Portman, Rob [R-OH] | R · OH | | Jan 26, 2011 |
| Sen. Roberts, Pat [R-KS] | R · KS | | Jan 26, 2011 |
| Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME] | R · ME | | Jan 26, 2011 |
| Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME] | R · ME | | Jan 31, 2011 |
| Sen. Enzi, Michael B. [R-WY] | R · WY | | Jan 31, 2011 |
| Sen. Moran, Jerry [R-KS] | R · KS | | Jan 31, 2011 |
| Sen. Risch, James E. [R-ID] | R · ID | | Jan 31, 2011 |
| Sen. Graham, Lindsey [R-SC] | R · SC | | Feb 2, 2011 |
| Sen. Thune, John [R-SD] | R · SD | | Feb 3, 2011 |
| Sen. Cochran, Thad [R-MS] | R · MS | | Feb 7, 2011 |
| Sen. Rubio, Marco [R-FL] | R · FL | | Feb 7, 2011 |
| Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK] | R · AK | | Feb 10, 2011 |
| Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS] | R · MS | | Feb 10, 2011 |
| Sen. Coburn, Tom [R-OK] | R · OK | | Feb 14, 2011 |
| Sen. Hutchison, Kay Bailey [R-TX] | R · TX | | Feb 17, 2011 |
| Sen. Boozman, John [R-AR] | R · AR | | Mar 2, 2011 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Judiciary Committee | Senate | Referred To | Jan 26, 2011 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Economics and Public Finance

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
|--------------|--------------|---|
| 112 SJRES 24 | Related bill | Dec 14, 2011: Failed of passage in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 21 - 79. Record Vote Number: 228. |
| 112 SJRES 23 | Related bill | 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. |
| 112 HJRES 54 | Related bill | Jul 11, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution. |
| 112 HJRES 56 | Related bill | Jul 11, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution. |
| 112 HJRES 41 | Related bill | Feb 28, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution. |
| 112 HJRES 4 | Related bill | Jan 24, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution. |
| 112 HJRES 11 | 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. |

Summary (as of Jan 26, 2011)

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.

Prohibits total outlays for any fiscal year from exceeding 20% of the gross domestic product for the preceding calendar year unless Congress, by a two-thirds rollcall vote of each chamber, authorizes a specific excess over such 20%.

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

Prohibits any bill to increase federal taxes from becoming law unless approved by two-thirds of each chamber by rollcall vote.

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

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 26, 2011:** Introduced in Senate
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