

## HJRES 78

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to clarify the authority of Congress and the States to regulate the expenditure of funds for political activity by corporations.

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Government Operations and Politics

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Rep. Clarke, Hansen [D-MI-13]	D · MI		Nov 14, 2012

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 23, 2011

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 HJRES 92	Related bill	Dec 14, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution.

## Summary (as of Sep 12, 2011)

Constitutional Amendment - States that nothing in the U.S. Constitution shall prohibit Congress and the states from imposing content-neutral regulations and restrictions on the expenditure of funds for political activity by any corporation, limited liability company, or other corporate entity, including but not limited to contributions in support of, or in opposition to, a candidate for public office.

## Actions Timeline

- Sep 23, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution.
- Sep 12, 2011: Introduced in House
- Sep 12, 2011: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.