

## HJRES 35

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to balance the Federal budget.

**Congress:** 113 (2013–2015, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Economics and Public Finance

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**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution And Civil Justice.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution And Civil Justice. (Apr 8, 2013)

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### Sponsor

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Rep. Duncan, Jeff [R-SC-3]	R · SC		Mar 14, 2013
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Rep. Garrett, Scott [R-NJ-5]	R · NJ		Mar 14, 2013
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Rep. Stockman, Steve [R-TX-36]	R · TX		Mar 14, 2013
Rep. Westmoreland, Lynn A. [R-GA-3]	R · GA		Mar 14, 2013
Rep. Sanford, Mark [R-SC-1]	R · SC		Jun 5, 2013

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 8, 2013

## Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Policy Area:

Economics and Public Finance

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 HJRES 5	Related bill	Jan 25, 2013: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution And Civil Justice.

### Summary (as of Mar 14, 2013)

Constitutional Amendment - Prohibits all outlays for a fiscal year (including those for debt service and other debt functions) from exceeding total receipts for that fiscal year (except those derived from borrowing) unless Congress, by a two-thirds roll call vote of each chamber, authorizes a specific excess of outlays over receipts.

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

Prohibits outlays for the total budget from exceeding the previous fiscal years' outlays plus population growth and inflation, unless such increase is approved by two-thirds of each chamber by a roll call vote.

Directs the House of Representatives to develop a balanced budget annually.

Prohibits any bill to increase revenue from becoming law unless approved by two-thirds of each chamber by a roll call vote.

Authorizes waivers of these provisions when a declaration of war is in effect only by a vote of a majority of both chambers.

Requires all: (1) outlays above revenues from the previous fiscal year to be accounted for in the outlays and budgets of the following fiscal year; and (2) surplus revenues at the end of a fiscal year to be allocated to a fund to be returned to the taxpayers, determined by legislation before the end of the subsequent fiscal year.

### Actions Timeline

- **Apr 8, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution And Civil Justice.
- **Mar 14, 2013:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 14, 2013:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.