

## HJRES 6

Proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

**Congress:** 113 (2013–2015, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Economics and Public Finance

**Introduced:** Jan 3, 2013

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

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution And Civil Justice. (Jan 25, 2013)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/113th-congress/house-joint-resolution/6>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Buchanan, Vern [R-FL-13]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** FL • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 25, 2013

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Economics and Public Finance

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 HJRES 49	Related bill	<b>Jul 15, 2013:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.
113 SJRES 20	Related bill	<b>Jul 11, 2013:</b> Read the second time and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
113 HJRES 38	Related bill	<b>Apr 30, 2013:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.
113 HJRES 36	Related bill	<b>Apr 8, 2013:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution And Civil Justice.
113 HJRES 1	Related bill	<b>Jan 25, 2013:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution And Civil Justice.
113 HJRES 2	Related bill	<b>Jan 25, 2013:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution And Civil Justice.
113 HJRES 4	Related bill	<b>Jan 25, 2013:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution And Civil Justice.
113 HJRES 5	Related bill	<b>Jan 25, 2013:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution And Civil Justice.
113 HJRES 11	Related bill	<b>Jan 25, 2013:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution And Civil Justice.

## Summary (as of Jan 3, 2013)

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Constitutional Amendment - Prohibits total 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 rollcall vote of each chamber, authorizes a specific excess of outlays over receipts.

Requires a three-fifths rollcall vote of each chamber to increase the public debt limit.

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

Prohibits any bill to increase revenue from becoming law unless approved by a majority 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.

Requires Congress, by appropriate legislation, to provide that outlays for natural disasters do not count as outlays for purposes of this joint resolution.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Jan 25, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution And Civil Justice.
- **Jan 3, 2013:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 3, 2013:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.