

## HJRES 32

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

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Economics and Public Finance

**Introduced:** Mar 19, 2021

**Current Status:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary. (Mar 19, 2021)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/house-joint-resolution/32>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Obernolte, Jay [R-CA-8]

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

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 19, 2021

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Economics and Public Finance

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HJRES 106	Related bill	<b>Dec 23, 2022:</b> Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.
117 HJRES 78	Related bill	<b>Nov 1, 2022:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.
117 HJRES 2	Related bill	<b>Mar 4, 2021:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.
117 HJRES 3	Related bill	<b>Mar 4, 2021:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.
117 HJRES 8	Related bill	<b>Mar 4, 2021:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.
117 HJRES 13	Related bill	<b>Mar 4, 2021:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.
117 SJRES 6	Related bill	<b>Feb 3, 2021:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

## Summary (as of Mar 19, 2021)

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This joint resolution proposes a constitutional amendment prohibiting total outlays for a fiscal year from exceeding total receipts for that fiscal year unless Congress authorizes the excess by a two-thirds roll call vote of each chamber. The prohibition excludes outlays for repayment of debt principal and receipts derived from borrowing.

The amendment also requires the President to submit a balanced budget to Congress annually.

## Actions Timeline

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