

## HJRES 6

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to provide for balanced budgets for the Government.

**Congress:** 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Economics and Public Finance

**Introduced:** Jan 9, 2023

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

**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary. (Jan 9, 2023)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/118th-congress/house-joint-resolution/6>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]

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

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| Rep. Gallagher, Mike [R-WI-8] | R · WI        |      | Jan 9, 2023 |

### Committee Activity

| Committee           | Chamber | Activity    | Date        |
|---------------------|---------|-------------|-------------|
| Judiciary Committee | House   | Referred To | Jan 9, 2023 |

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Economics and Public Finance

### Related Bills

| Bill         | Relationship | Last Action  |
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| 118 HJRES 15 | Related bill | <b>Jan 11, 2023:</b> Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary. |

### Summary (as of Jan 9, 2023)

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 amendment also requires the President to submit an annual budget in which total outlays for the fiscal year do not exceed total receipts.

Congress may waive the requirements for any fiscal year in which (1) a declaration of war is in effect by a roll call vote, or (2) a declaration of a natural disaster or a national emergency is in effect that was declared by a joint resolution that became law after being adopted by a majority of each chamber of Congress.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Jan 9, 2023:** Introduced in House
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