

HJRES 80

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

Congress: 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Economics and Public Finance

Introduced: Jul 6, 2023

Current Status: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H3601)

Latest Action: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H3601) (Jul 13, 2023)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Moran, Nathaniel [R-TX-1]

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Houchin, Erin [R-IN-9]	R · IN		Feb 5, 2024

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 6, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Economics and Public Finance

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 SJRES 19	Related bill	Mar 15, 2023: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Summary (as of Jul 6, 2023)

This joint resolution proposes a constitutional amendment that requires federal expenditures and receipts to be balanced, which may occur over more than one year.

Under the amendment, expenditures include all federal expenditures except those for payment of debt. Receipts do not include receipts derived from borrowing.

The amendment requires Congress to achieve balance within 10 years of the ratification of the amendment.

In an emergency situation, two-thirds of the House of Representatives and the Senate may authorize additional expenditures that are not otherwise permitted by the amendment. The additional expenditures must be for a limited time, and debts incurred from the expenditures must be paid as soon as practicable.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 13, 2023:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H3601)
- **Jul 6, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 6, 2023:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.