

104TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. J. RES. 28

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution to provide for a balanced budget for the United States Government and for greater accountability in the enactment of tax legislation.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 4, 1995

Mr. STENHOLM (for himself, Mr. SCHAEFER, Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts, Ms. DUNN of Washington, Mr. PAYNE of Virginia, Mr. CASTLE, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. BAESLER, Mr. BARCIA, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. BEVILL, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. BLILEY, Mr. BLUTE, Mr. BONILLA, Mr. BREWSTER, Mr. BROWDER, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. BRYANT of Texas, Mr. BUNN of Oregon, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. CALLAHAN, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. CAMP, Mr. CHAPMAN, Mr. CLEMENT, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COLLINS of Georgia, Mr. CONDIT, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Ms. DANNER, Mr. DEFazio, Mr. DE LA GARZA, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. DOOLEY, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. EMERSON, Mr. FOLEY, Mrs. FOWLER, Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Mr. FRANKS of Connecticut, Mr. FROST, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. GANSKE, Mr. PETE GEREN of Texas, Mr. GIBBONS, Mr. GILCHREST, Mr. GILLMOR, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. GOODLING, Mr. GORDON, Mr. GREENWOOD, Mr. GUNDERSON, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. HANSEN, Ms. HARMAN, Mr. HAYES, Mr. HEFLEY, Mr. HEFNER, Mr. HEINEMAN, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. HORN, Mr. HOUGHTON, Mr. HOYER, Mr. INGLIS of South Carolina, Mr. JACOBS, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. JOHNSTON of Florida, Mr. KIM, Mr. KLUG, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. LAUGHLIN, Mr. LAZIO, Mr. LIGHTFOOT, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. MARTINEZ, Ms. MCCARTHY, Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr. MCCRERY, Mr. MCHALE, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. MEEHAN, Mrs. MEYERS of Kansas, Mr. MINGE, Ms. MOLINARI, Mr. MONTGOMERY, Mr. MOORHEAD, Mr. ORTIZ, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PARKER, Mr. PAXON, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. PETERSON of Florida, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. POSHARD, Ms. PRYCE, Mr. QUILLEN, Mr. QUINN, Mr. REGULA, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROEMER, Mr. ROSE, Mrs. ROUKEMA, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. SANFORD, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. SISISKY, Mr. SKELTON, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. STUMP, Mr. TANNER, Mr. TAUZIN, Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi, Mr. TORRICELLI, Mr.

1 three-fifths of the whole number of each House shall pro-
2 vide by law for such an increase by a rollcall vote.

3 “SECTION 3. Prior to each fiscal year, the President
4 shall transmit to the Congress a proposed budget for the
5 United States Government for that fiscal year, in which
6 total outlays do not exceed total receipts.

7 “SECTION 4. No bill to increase revenue shall become
8 law unless approved by a majority of the whole number
9 of each House by a rollcall vote.

10 “SECTION 5. The Congress may waive the provisions
11 of this article for any fiscal year in which a declaration
12 of war is in effect. The provisions of this article may be
13 waived for any fiscal year in which the United States is
14 engaged in military conflict which causes an imminent and
15 serious military threat to national security and is so de-
16 clared by a joint resolution, adopted by a majority of the
17 whole number of each House, which becomes law.

18 “SECTION 6. The Congress shall enforce and imple-
19 ment this article by appropriate legislation, which may rely
20 on estimates of outlays and receipts.

21 “SECTION 7. Total receipts shall include all receipts
22 of the United States Government except those derived
23 from borrowing. Total outlays shall include all outlays of
24 the United States Government except for those for repay-
25 ment of debt principal.

1 “SECTION 8. This article shall take effect beginning
2 with fiscal year 2002 or with the second fiscal year begin-
3 ning after its ratification, whichever is later.”.

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