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# H. J. RES. 100

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States regarding the use of public funds to pay for campaigns for election to Federal office.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 18, 2012

Mr. KUCINICH introduced the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## JOINT RESOLUTION

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1       *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*  
2       *of the United States of America in Congress assembled*  
3       *(two-thirds of each House concurring therein), That the fol-*  
4       *lowing article is proposed as an amendment to the Con-*  
5       *stitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all*  
6       *intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when*  
7       *ratified by conventions in three-fourths of the several*  
8       *States within seven years after the date of its submission*  
9       *for ratification:*

1 “ARTICLE —

2 “SECTION 1. All campaigns for President and Mem-  
3 bers of the United States House of Representatives and  
4 the United States Senate shall be financed entirely with  
5 public funds. No contributions shall be permitted to any  
6 candidate for Federal office from any other source, includ-  
7 ing the candidate.

8 “SECTION 2. No expenditures shall be permitted in  
9 support of any candidate for Federal office, or in opposi-  
10 tion to any candidate for Federal office, from any other  
11 source, including the candidate. Nothing in this Section  
12 shall be construed to abridge the freedom of the press.

13 “SECTION 3. The Congress shall, by statute, provide  
14 limitations on the amounts and timing of the expenditures  
15 of such public funds.

16 “SECTION 4. The Congress shall, by statute, provide  
17 criminal penalties for any violation of this Article.

18 “SECTION 5. The Congress shall have the power to  
19 implement and enforce this article by appropriate legisla-  
20 tion.”.

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