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1ST SESSION

# H. J. RES. 53

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to require Members of Congress and the President to forfeit the compensation paid to them starting at the conclusion of each fiscal year until all of the general appropriations bills for the following fiscal year are enacted.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 12, 2003

Mr. OSE 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 (two-*  
3       *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*

1 ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several  
2 States within seven years after the date of its submission  
3 for ratification:

4 “ARTICLE —

5 “The compensation paid to Members of Congress and  
6 to the President shall be forfeited on a per diem basis at  
7 the conclusion of each fiscal year until such time as all  
8 of the general appropriations bills for the following fiscal  
9 year are enacted.”.

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