## <sup>112TH CONGRESS</sup> 1ST SESSION H. J. RES. 15

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to authorize the line item veto.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**JANUARY** 7, 2011

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

## 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 7 ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several 8 States within seven years after the date of its submission 9 for ratification:

## "ARTICLE —

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2 "In the case of any bill, order, resolution, or vote which is presented to the President under section 7 of Ar-3 ticle I, the President may decline to approve in whole any 4 5 dollar amount of discretionary budget authority, any item of new direct spending, or any tax benefit. A matter which 6 7 the President declines to approve under this article of amendment shall be returned with his objections to the 8 House in which it originated, and shall be treated in the 9 same manner as a bill which the President returns without 10 signing under section 7 of Article I.". 11

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