

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 14
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(COMPANION TO HJR 10 BY COMMITTEE
ON STATE GOVERNMENT)

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

1 A Joint Resolution ratifying a proposed balanced budget amendment
2 to the Constitution of the United States.

3 WHEREAS, The One Hundred Fourth Congress of the United States
4 has passed a Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the
5 Constitution of the United States relating to a balanced budget;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, This Joint Resolution passed the House of
8 Representatives of the United States on January 26, 1995, passed
9 the Senate of the United States on February 28, 1995, and now has
10 been submitted to a vote of the States and reads:

"JOINT RESOLUTION

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

14 Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the
15 United States of America in Congress assembled (two-thirds of
16 each House concurring therein), That the following article is
17 proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United
18 States, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part
19 of the Constitution when ratified by the legislatures of three-
20 fourths of the several States within seven years after the date
21 of its submission to the States for ratification:

"ARTICLE

22 "SECTION 1. Total outlays for any fiscal year shall not
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1 exceed total receipts for that fiscal year, unless three-fifths
2 of the whole number of each House of Congress shall provide by
3 law for a specific excess of outlays over receipts by a rollcall
4 vote.

5 "SECTION 2. The limit of the debt of the United States held
6 by the public shall not be increased, unless three-fifths of the
7 whole number of each House shall provide by law for such an
8 increase by a rollcall vote.

9 "SECTION 3. Prior to each fiscal year, the President shall
10 transmit to the Congress a proposed budget for the United States
11 Government for that fiscal year in which total outlays do not
12 exceed receipts.

13 "SECTION 4. No bill to increase revenue shall become law
14 unless approved by a majority of the whole number of each House
15 by a rollcall vote.

16 "SECTION 5. The Congress may waive the provisions of this
17 article for any fiscal year in which a declaration of war is in
18 effect. The provisions of this article may be waived for any
19 fiscal year in which the United States is engaged in military
20 conflict which causes an imminent and serious military threat to
21 national security and is so declared by a joint resolution,
22 adopted by a majority of the whole number of each House, which
23 becomes law.

24 "SECTION 6. The Congress shall enforce and implement this
25 article by appropriate legislation, which may rely on estimates
26 of outlays and receipts.

27 "SECTION 7. Total receipts shall include all receipts of the
28 United States Government except those derived from borrowing.
29 Total outlays shall include all outlays of the United States
30 Government except for those for repayment of debt principal.

31 "SECTION 8. This article shall take effect beginning with
32 fiscal year 2002 or with the second fiscal year beginning after
33 its ratification, whichever is later."

34 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 That the foregoing proposed amendment to the Constitution
2 of the United States is hereby ratified and consented to by
3 the State of Iowa and the General Assembly thereof; and

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Governor of the State of
5 Iowa forward certified copies of this resolution over the Seal
6 of the State of Iowa to the Secretary of State of the United
7 States, to the Presiding Officer of the Senate of the United
8 States, to the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the
9 United States, and to the administrator of the United States
10 General Services Administration.

11 EXPLANATION

12 This joint resolution ratifies a proposed amendment to the
13 Constitution of the United States that relates to a balanced
14 budget.

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