

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. HJ0002

Balanced budget amendment-resolution.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Lindholm, Barlow, Clem, Harshman, Hunt, Laursen, Miller and Winters and Senator(s) Bebout, Boner, Case, Driskill, Hicks, Perkins, Peterson and Wasserburger

A JOINT RESOLUTION

for

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION petitioning Congress to call a
2 convention to propose amendments to the Constitution of the
3 United States to require a balanced federal budget.

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5 WHEREAS, the legislature of the State of Wyoming is
6 petitioning the Congress of the United States to call a
7 convention to propose amendments to the Constitution of the
8 United States to require a balanced federal budget.

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10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE
11 LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING:

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13 **Section 1.** That pursuant to Article V of the
14 Constitution of the United States, the legislature of the

1 State of Wyoming petitions the Congress of the United
2 States of America, at its session, to call a convention of
3 the states limited to proposing an amendment to the
4 Constitution of the United States requiring that in the
5 absence of a national emergency, including, but not limited
6 to, an attack by a foreign nation or terrorist organization
7 within the United States of America, the total of all
8 federal appropriations made by the Congress for any fiscal
9 year may not exceed the total of all estimated federal
10 revenues for that fiscal year, together with any related
11 and appropriate fiscal restraints.

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13 **Section 2.** That this application is to be considered
14 as covering the balanced budget amendment language of the
15 presently outstanding balanced budget applications from
16 other states, including, but not limited to, previously
17 adopted applications from Alabama, Alaska, Arkansas,
18 Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas,
19 Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri,
20 Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico, North
21 Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South
22 Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah and West Virginia. This
23 application shall be aggregated with those applications for

1 the purpose of attaining the two-thirds (2/3) of states
2 necessary to require Congress to call a convention for
3 proposing a balanced budget amendment, but shall not be
4 aggregated with any applications on any other subject.

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6 **Section 3.** That this application constitutes a
7 continuing application in accordance with Article V of the
8 Constitution of the United States until the legislatures of
9 at least two-thirds (2/3) of the several states have made
10 applications on the same subject. This application
11 supersedes all previous applications by this legislature on
12 the same subject.

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14 **Section 4.** That the Secretary of State of Wyoming
15 transmit copies of this resolution to the President of the
16 United States, to the President of the Senate and the
17 Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United
18 States Congress, to the Wyoming Congressional Delegation
19 and to the presiding officers of each of the legislative
20 houses in the several states, requesting their cooperation.

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