

H. J. RES. 30

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution allowing an item veto in appropriations.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 5, 1993

Mr. EWING (for himself, Mr. WALSH, Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. HASTERT, Mr. PACKARD, Mr. GOSS, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. KOLBE, Mr. HERGER, Mr. ZELIFF, Mr. EMERSON, Mr. KING, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mrs. MEY-ERS of Kansas, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. UPTON, Mr. BACHUS of Alabama, Mr. BOEHNER, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. LEWIS of Florida, and Mr. TALENT) 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
- 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 if ratified

by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several States
within seven years after its submission to the States for
ratification:

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"ARTICLE —

"The President may approve, disapprove, or reduce 5 any item of appropriation in the same appropriation bill. 6 7 In such case he shall, in signing the bill, designate the items disapproved and the items reduced, and shall return 8 a copy of such items, with his objections, to the House 9 in which the bill shall have originated. The same proceed-10 ings shall then be had as in the case of other bills dis-11 approved by the President, except that in the case of items 12 disapproved or reduced it shall take approval by three-13 14 fifths of each House to become law.".

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