

105TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. J. RES. 35

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution to require that congressional resolutions setting forth levels of total budget outlays and Federal revenues must be agreed to by two-thirds vote of both Houses of the Congress if the level of outlays exceeds the level of revenues.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 21, 1997

Mr. SOLOMON 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 follow-*  
4 *ing article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitu-*  
5 *tion of the United States, which shall be valid to all intents*  
6 *and purposes as part of the Constitution when ratified by*  
7 *the legislatures of three-fourths of the several States with-*

1 in seven years after the date of its submission for ratifica-  
2 tion:

3 “ARTICLE —

4 “On the question of agreeing, in either the House of  
5 Representatives or the Senate, to a concurrent resolution  
6 of the two Houses of the Congress which sets forth an  
7 appropriate level of total budget outlays of the Federal  
8 Government for a fiscal year and a recommended level of  
9 Federal revenues for that fiscal year or of agreeing, in  
10 either the House of Representatives or the Senate, to a  
11 report of a conference committee on such a concurrent res-  
12 olution, the affirmative vote of two-thirds of Members  
13 present and voting (a quorum being present), shall be re-  
14 quired for agreeing to the question, if the appropriate level  
15 of total budget outlays set forth in such concurrent resolu-  
16 tion or recommended in such conference report exceeds the  
17 recommended level of Federal revenues set forth in such  
18 concurrent resolution or recommended in such conference  
19 report.”.

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