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# S. J. RES. 16

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to limit the power of Congress to impose a tax on a failure to purchase goods or services.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 6, 2013

Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. LEE, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. ENZI, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. RISCH, and Mr. THUNE) introduced the following joint resolution; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to limit the power of Congress to impose a tax on a failure to purchase goods or services.

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*

1 States within seven years after the date of its submission  
2 for ratification:

3 “ARTICLE —

4 “Congress shall make no law that imposes a tax on  
5 a failure to purchase goods or services.”.

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