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Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States giving Congress power to regulate campaign contributions for Federal elections.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SCHRADER submitted 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 when*
7 *ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several*
8 *States within seven years after the date of its submission*
9 *for ratification:*

1 influence the outcome of an election for public office or
2 plebiscite in the State.

3 “Whenever a State should exercise such power, it
4 must apply equally and uniformly to all individual persons
5 recognized as citizens of the State.

6 “Whenever a State should exercise such power on as-
7 sociations of citizens of the State, it must apply equally
8 and uniformly to all associations of citizens of the State.

9 “SECTION 3. A person who is not a citizen of the
10 United States, including an association of persons who are
11 not citizens of the United States, a foreign government,
12 or any person acting as an agent thereof, may not con-
13 tribute funds or donate in-kind equivalents to candidates
14 standing for election to public office in the United States
15 or otherwise expend funds or donate in-kind equivalents
16 in a manner intended to influence the outcome of an elec-
17 tion for public office or plebiscite in the United States.

18 “SECTION 4. The powers provided by this article are
19 limited to the content neutral regulation of political con-
20 tributions and political expenditures.

21 “SECTION 5. Congress shall have the power to en-
22 force this article by appropriate legislation.”.

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