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Senator Faber

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Eklund, Hughes, Manning, Balderson, Seitz, Oelslager, Uecker, Peterson,
Obhof, Jones**

JOINT RESOLUTION

Urging the Congress of the United States to propose a 1
balanced budget amendment to the United States 2
Constitution and applying to the Congress, 3
pursuant to Article V of the United States 4
Constitution, to call a convention for proposing 5
amendments. 6

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

The General Assembly of the State of Ohio urges the Congress 7
of the United States to propose a balanced budget amendment to the 8
United States Constitution and hereby applies to the Congress, 9
under the provisions of Article V of the United States 10
Constitution, for the calling of a convention of the states 11
limited to proposing an amendment to the United States 12
Constitution requiring that in the absence of a national emergency 13
the total of all federal appropriations made by the Congress for 14
any fiscal year may not exceed the total of all estimated federal 15
revenues for that fiscal year; and be it further 16

RESOLVED, The Secretary of State is hereby directed to 17
transmit copies of this application to the President and Secretary 18
of the Senate and to the Speaker and Clerk of the House of 19

Representatives of the Congress, and copies to the members of the 20
Senate and House of Representatives from the State of Ohio; also 21
to transmit copies of this application to the presiding officers 22
of each of the legislative houses of the several states, 23
requesting their cooperation; and be it further 24

RESOLVED, This application is to be considered as covering 25
the same subject matter as the presently outstanding balanced 26
budget applications from other states and shall be aggregated with 27
the presently outstanding balanced budget applications of other 28
states for the purpose of attaining the two-thirds of states 29
necessary to require the calling of an Article V convention for 30
proposing a balanced budget amendment, but shall not be aggregated 31
with any applications on any other subject; and be it further 32

RESOLVED, If the convention called by the Congress is not 33
limited to considering a balanced budget amendment, then any 34
delegates, representatives, or participants from the State of Ohio 35
asked to participate in the convention are authorized to debate 36
and vote only on a proposed amendment or amendments to the United 37
States Constitution requiring that in the absence of a national 38
emergency the total of all federal appropriations made by the 39
Congress for any fiscal year may not exceed the total of all 40
estimated federal revenues for that fiscal year; and be it further 41

RESOLVED, This application constitutes a continuing 42
application in accordance with Article V of the United States 43
Constitution until the legislatures of at least two-thirds of the 44
several states have made applications on the same subject or the 45
Congress has proposed an amendment to the United States 46
Constitution equivalent to the amendment proposed in this 47
resolution. This application supersedes all previous applications 48
by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio on the same subject. 49