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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 a 5
balanced budget amendment. 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, together with any related and 16
appropriate fiscal restraints; and be it further 17

RESOLVED, The Secretary of State is hereby directed to 18
transmit copies of this application to the President and Secretary 19

of the Senate and to the Speaker and Clerk of the House of 20
Representatives of the Congress, and copies to the members of the 21
Senate and House of Representatives from the State of Ohio; also 22
to transmit copies of this application to the presiding officers 23
of each of the legislative houses of the several states, 24
requesting their cooperation; and be it further 25

RESOLVED, This application is to be considered as covering 26
the balanced budget amendment language of the presently 27
outstanding balanced budget applications from other states, 28
including previously adopted applications from Alabama, Alaska, 29
Arkansas, Colorado, Delaware, Florida, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, 30
Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, 31
New Mexico, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, and Texas. This 32
application shall be aggregated with those other applications for 33
the purpose of attaining the two-thirds of states necessary to 34
require the calling of a convention for proposing a balanced 35
budget amendment, but shall not be aggregated with any 36
applications on any other subject; and be it further 37

RESOLVED, If the convention called by the Congress is not 38
limited to considering a balanced budget amendment, then any 39
delegates, representatives, or participants from the State of Ohio 40
asked to participate in the convention are authorized to debate 41
and vote only on a proposed amendment or amendments to the United 42
States Constitution requiring that in the absence of a national 43
emergency the total of all federal appropriations made by the 44
Congress for any fiscal year may not exceed the total of all 45
estimated federal revenues for that fiscal year, together with any 46
related and appropriate fiscal restraints; and be it further 47

RESOLVED, This application constitutes a continuing 48
application in accordance with Article V of the United States 49
Constitution until the legislatures of at least two-thirds of the 50
several states have made applications on the same subject or the 51

Congress has proposed an amendment to the United States	52
Constitution equivalent to the amendment proposed in this	53
resolution. This application supersedes all previous applications	54
by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio on the same subject.	55