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Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States allowing an item veto in appropriations bills and an item veto of contract authority or taxation changes in any other bill.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. ZIMMER introduced 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 *ratiified 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 “The President shall have the power to disapprove
5 in whole or in part any appropriation, any authority for
6 the United States to enter into a contract, or any change
7 in the rate or incidence of taxation on any special class
8 of taxpayers and approve any other provision in the same
9 bill. In such case he shall, in signing the bill, designate
10 the appropriations, contract authority, or tax provisions
11 disapproved, and shall return a copy of such disapproved
12 appropriations, contract authority, or tax provisions, with
13 his objections, to the House in which the bill shall have
14 originated; and the same proceedings shall then be had
15 as in the case of other bills disapproved by the President.”.

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