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H. J. RES. 7

Proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. ARCHER (for himself, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. HASTERT, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. CAMP, and Mr. GRAHAM) introduced the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

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 war is in effect. The provisions of this Article may be
2 waived for any fiscal year in which the United States faces
3 an imminent and serious military threat to national secu-
4 rity and is so declared by a joint resolution, adopted by
5 a majority of the whole number of each House, which be-
6 comes law.

7 “SECTION 5. This Article shall take effect for the fis-
8 cal year 2002 or for the second fiscal year beginning after
9 its ratification, whichever is later.”.

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