

1 ENGROSSED SENATE  
2 CONCURRENT  
3 RESOLUTION NO. 1

By: Ellis of the Senate

and

Pruett of the House

6 A Concurrent Resolution calling upon the Congress of  
7 the United States to enact a balanced federal budget;  
8 calling for certain salary reductions if balanced  
9 federal budget not enacted; and directing  
10 distribution.

11 WHEREAS, by any measure, the fiscal policies of the federal  
12 government of the United States of America have resulted in  
13 macroeconomic and microeconomic chaos, for our great country as a  
14 whole and for individual families and businesses; and

15 WHEREAS, these policies have continued for decades, through  
16 Presidential administrations and congressional leadership of both  
17 parties; and

18 WHEREAS, the national debt, as a percentage of our gross  
19 national product and in absolute dollar terms, is at historically  
20 high and unsustainable levels. The addiction to government spending  
21 evident in Washington D.C. threatens our national security, burdens  
22 our children and grandchildren and compromises our core American  
23 values; and

24 WHEREAS, the Legislatures and Governors of the State of Oklahoma  
and almost all other states are constitutionally mandated to balance

1 their budgets annually, and have managed to do so despite revenue  
2 shortfalls and ever-increasing demands for public services, making  
3 difficult decisions to slash spending, raise revenue, and compromise  
4 with those of opposing political persuasions; and

5 WHEREAS, we should expect and demand no less of our elected  
6 officials at the federal level.

7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION  
8 OF THE 54TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
9 CONCURRING THEREIN:

10 THAT the people of the State of Oklahoma hereby call upon the  
11 Congress of the United States of America to enact a balanced federal  
12 budget for each fiscal year, and for the salary of each member of  
13 Congress to be reduced by five percent (5%) of the amount paid in  
14 fiscal year 2013 during each subsequent year for which a balanced  
15 federal budget is not enacted.

16 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the Oklahoma  
17 Congressional Delegation.

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1 Adopted by the Senate the 13th day of March, 2013.

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4 Presiding Officer of the Senate

5 Adopted by the House of Representatives the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
6 2013.

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10 of Representatives