

H.R. 1300: Ms. FURSE.
 H.R. 1323: Mr. LUTHER.
 H.R. 1371: Mr. EDWARDS and Mr. SESSIONS.
 H.R. 1382: Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, and Mr. RUSH.
 H.R. 1398: Mr. BARTON of Texas.
 H.R. 1401: Ms. WOOLSEY.
 H.R. 1415: Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BERRY, Mr. RUSH, Mr. DICKS, Mr. MCGOVERN, and Mr. CRAPO.
 H.R. 1426: Mr. WAMP.
 H.R. 1450: Mr. ACKERMAN.
 H.R. 1456: Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania, Ms. GRANGER, and Mr. RODRIGUEZ.
 H.R. 1492: Mr. WICKER.
 H.R. 1519: Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. RUSH, Mr. DELLUMS, and Mr. WATT of North Carolina.
 H.R. 1521: Mr. METCALF, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. SAXTON, and Mr. MARTINEZ.
 H.R. 1534: Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. PASCARELL, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mr. SOLOMON, Mr. CONDIT, Mr. DREIER, Mr. FAZIO of California, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. SHIMKUS, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. KOLBE, Mr. COX of California, Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr. CANON, Mr. HALL of Texas, and Mr. CHENOWETH.
 H.R. 1542: Mr. BLILEY.
 H.R. 1585: Mr. WELLER, Mr. SAXTON, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. MCHALE, Mr. COBURN, Mrs. KELLY, and Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD.
 H.R. 1670: Mr. GUTIERREZ.
 H.R. 1679: Mr. MCCOLLUM and Ms. SLAUGHTER.
 H.R. 1689: Mr. HOLDEN.
 H.R. 1712: Mr. ROHRBACHER and Mrs. EMERSON.
 H.R. 1719: Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. LEWIS of California, and Mr. NEY.
 H.R. 1733: Ms. RIVERS and Mr. STABENOW.
 H.R. 1748: Mr. CAPPS, Mr. CRAMER, and Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma.
 H.R. 1788: Mr. HINCHEY and Mr. GORDON.
 H.R. 1839: Mrs. CUBIN, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. GOODE, and Mr. COBURN.
 H.R. 1843: Mr. CRAPO.
 H.R. 1846: Mr. SAM JOHNSON and Mr. RAHALL.
 H.R. 1861: Mr. BROWN of California, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. DELLUMS, Mr. EVANS, Mr. FROST, Mr. NADLER, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. STARK, Mr. VENTO, and Mr. YATES.
 H.R. 1864: Ms. FURSE.
 H.R. 1883: Mr. ABERCROMBIE.
 H.R. 1912: Mr. ROGAN.
 H.R. 1968: Mr. TOWNS, Mrs. MORELLA, and Mr. WELLER.
 H.R. 1991: Mr. THORNBERRY and Mr. DICKEY.
 H.R. 2001: Mrs. CHENOWETH.
 H.R. 2003: Mr. COOK, Mrs. THURMAN, Mr. DICKEY, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. DAVIS of Florida, Mr. SPENCE, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi, and Mr. HORN.
 H.R. 2004: Mrs. EMERSON and Mr. HILLIARD.
 H.R. 2005: Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN, Mr. COSTELLO, and Mr. PICKERING.
 H.R. 2006: Mr. BALDACCI, Ms. VELAZQUEZ, Ms. WOOLSEY, and Mr. HEFNER.
 H.R. 2064: Mr. DICKS and Mr. WEXLER.
 H.R. 2120: Mr. HAMILTON.
 H.R. 2121: Mr. FROST, Mr. DEUTSCH, Ms. MOLINARI, Mr. BONIOR, Ms. WOOLSEY, and Mr. EVANS.
 H.R. 2122: Mr. PASCARELL.
 H.R. 2139: Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. OBEY, and Mr. PETRI.
 H.R. 2143: Mr. FILNER and Mr. UNDERWOOD.
 H.R. 2163: Mr. BOB SCHAFFER.
 H.R. 2196: Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. SAM JOHNSON, and Mr. ROYCE.
 H.R. 2198: Mr. LUTHER and Mrs. MEEK of Florida.
 H.R. 2200: Mr. FROST, Ms. FURSE, and Mr. GILMAN.
 H. Con. Res. 80: Mr. FILNER, Mr. LEWIS of GEORGIA, Mr. ADAM SMITH of Washington, Mr. FROST, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. GILLMOR, Mr. BROWN of California, and Mr. COLLINS.

H. Con. Res. 81: Mr. GOODE, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. TALENT, Mr. YATES, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. LEVIN, Mrs. ROUKEMA, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. STARK, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. WEYGAND, and Mr. NADLER.

H. Con. Res. 91: Mr. MCGOVERN and Mr. LEWIS of Georgia.

H. Con. Res. 97: Mr. LEWIS of Georgia.

H. Con. Res. 99: Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts.

H. Con. Res. 100: Mr. WEXLER, Mr. DINGELL, and Mr. SMITH of New Jersey.

H. Res. 166: Mr. YATES.

H. Res. 173: Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Ms. HARMAN, Ms. JACKSON-LEE, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. ACKERMAN, and Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri.

H. Res. 191: Mr. HERGER, Mr. SNOWBARGER, Mr. LAMPSON, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, and Mr. HULSHOF.

DELETIONS OF SPONSORS FROM PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, sponsors were deleted from public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 2003: Mr. BERRY and Mrs. KENNELLY of Connecticut.

AMENDMENTS

Under clause 6 of rule XXIII, proposed amendments were submitted as follows:

H.R. 2003

OFFERED BY: Mr. BARTON OF TEXAS

(Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute)

AMENDMENT NO. 1: Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE AND TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the “Balanced Budget Assurance Act of 1997”.

(b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—

Sec. 1. Short title and table of contents.

Sec. 2. Definitions.

Title I—Ensure That the Bipartisan Balanced Budget Agreement of 1997 Achieves Its Goal

Sec. 101. Timetable.

Sec. 102. Procedures to avoid sequestration or delay of new revenue reductions.

Sec. 103. Effect on Presidents’ budget submissions; point of order.

Sec. 104. Deficit and revenue targets.

Sec. 105. Direct spending caps.

Sec. 106. Economic assumptions.

Sec. 107. Revisions to deficit and revenue targets and to the caps for entitlements and other mandatory spending.

Title II—Enforcement Provisions

Sec. 201. Reporting excess spending.

Sec. 202. Enforcing direct spending caps.

Sec. 203. Sequestration rules.

Sec. 204. Enforcing revenue targets.

Sec. 205. Exempt programs and activities.

Sec. 206. Special rules.

Sec. 207. The current law baseline.

Sec. 208. Limitations on emergency spending.

Title III—Use of Budget Surplus to Preserve Social Security Trust Fund

Sec. 301. Ending use of receipts of Social Security Trust Fund for other programs and activities.

SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.

For purposes of this Act:

(1) ELIGIBLE POPULATION.—The term “eligible population” shall mean those individuals

to whom the United States is obligated to make a payment under the provisions of a law creating entitlement authority. Such term shall not include States, localities, corporations or other nonliving entities.

(2) SEQUESTER AND SEQUESTRATION.—The terms “sequester” and “sequestration” refer to or mean the cancellation of budgetary resources provided by discretionary appropriations or direct spending law.

(3) BREACH.—The term “breach” means, for any fiscal year, the amount (if any) by which outlays for that year (within a category of direct spending) is above that category’s direct spending cap for that year.

(4) BASELINE.—The term “baseline” means the projection (described in section 207) of current levels of new budget authority, outlays, receipts, and the surplus or deficit into the budget year and the outyears.

(5) BUDGETARY RESOURCES.—The term “budgetary resources” means new budget authority, unobligated balances, direct spending authority, and obligation limitations.

(6) DISCRETIONARY APPROPRIATIONS.—The term “discretionary appropriations” means budgetary resources (except to fund direct spending programs) provided in appropriation Acts. If an appropriation Act alters the level of direct spending or offsetting collections, that effect shall be treated as direct spending. Classifications of new accounts or activities and changes in classifications shall be made in consultation with the Committees on Appropriations and the Budget of the House of Representatives and the Senate and with CBO and OMB.

(7) DIRECT SPENDING.—The term “direct spending” means—

(A) budget authority provided by law other than appropriation Acts, including entitlement authority;

(B) entitlement authority; and

(C) the food stamp program.

If a law other than an appropriation Act alters the level of discretionary appropriations or offsetting collections, that effect shall be treated as direct spending.

(8) ENTITLEMENT AUTHORITY.—The term “entitlement authority” means authority (whether temporary or permanent) to make payments (including loans and grants), the budget authority for which is not provided for in advance by appropriation Acts, to any person or government if, under the provisions of the law containing such authority, the United States is obligated to make such payments to persons or governments who meet the requirements established by such law.

(9) CURRENT.—The term “current” means, with respect to OMB estimates included with a budget submission under section 1105(a) of title 31 U.S.C., the estimates consistent with the economic and technical assumptions underlying that budget.

(10) ACCOUNT.—The term “account” means an item for which there is a designated budget account designation number in the President’s budget.

(11) BUDGET YEAR.—The term “budget year” means the fiscal year of the Government that starts on the next October 1.

(12) CURRENT YEAR.—The term “current year” means, with respect to a budget year, the fiscal year that immediately precedes that budget year.

(13) OUTYEAR.—The term “outyear” means, with respect to a budget year, any of the fiscal years that follow the budget year.

(14) OMB.—The term “OMB” means the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

(15) CBO.—The term “CBO” means the Director of the Congressional Budget Office.

(16) BUDGET OUTLAYS AND OUTLAYS.—The terms “budget outlays” and “outlays” mean,