

AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_ Calendar No. \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose: To reform the composition of the Committee on the Budget of the Senate.

**IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—115th Cong., 2d Sess.**

**H. R.** \_\_\_\_\_

To implement the recommendations of the Joint Select Committee on Budget and Appropriations Process Reform.

Referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_ and ordered to be printed

Ordered to lie on the table and to be printed

AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. BENNET (for himself and Mr. LANKFORD)

Viz:

1 At the appropriate place, insert the following:

2 **SEC. \_\_\_\_\_. REFORM OF SENATE BUDGET COMMITTEE.**

3 In the Senate, the Committee on the Budget shall  
4 be composed of 15 members as follows:

5 (1) Six members who are a member of or cau-  
6 cus with the political party in the majority in the  
7 Senate, of which 1 of whom shall be designated as  
8 the Chairman by the members of the committee.

9 (2) Five members who are a member of or cau-  
10 cus with the political party in the minority in the  
11 Senate, of which 1 of whom shall be designated as

1 the Ranking Member by the members of the com-  
2 mittee.

3 (3) The Chairman and Ranking Member of the  
4 Committee on Appropriations.

5 (4) The Chairman and Ranking Member of the  
6 Committee on Finance.

AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_ Calendar No. \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose: To provide for bipartisan budgets.

**IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—115th Cong., 2d Sess.**

**H. R.** \_\_\_\_\_

To implement the recommendations of the Joint Select Committee on Budget and Appropriations Process Reform.

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself and Mr. PERDUE)

Viz:

1 At the appropriate place, insert the following:

2 **SEC. \_\_\_\_ . BIPARTISAN BUDGET RESOLUTION.**

3 (a) DEFINITION.—Section 3 of the Congressional  
4 Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C.  
5 622), as amended by section 102, is further amended by  
6 adding at the end the following:

7 “(15) The term ‘bipartisan budget resolution’  
8 means a concurrent resolution on the budget for a  
9 biennium—

10 “(A) ordered reported to the Senate by the  
11 Committee on the Budget of the Senate by an  
12 affirmative vote of not less than half of the

1 Senators that are members of the majority  
2 party in the Senate and not less than half of  
3 the Senators that are members of the minority  
4 party in the Senate;

5 “(B) that establishes—

6 “(i) a target for the ratio of the public  
7 debt to the gross domestic product as of  
8 the end of the period covered by the con-  
9 current resolution or a later date; and

10 “(ii) for each fiscal year covered by  
11 the concurrent resolution, targets for—

12 “(I) the ratio of the public debt  
13 to the gross domestic product;

14 “(II) the amount of health care  
15 spending by the Government;

16 “(III) the amount of tax expendi-  
17 tures;

18 “(IV) the amount of discre-  
19 tionary appropriations (as defined in  
20 section 250 of the Balanced Budget  
21 and Emergency Deficit Control Act of  
22 1985 (2 U.S.C. 900)); and

23 “(V) the amount of revenues; and

24 “(C) which may include other economic or  
25 policy targets.”.

1 (b) CONSIDERATION OF BIPARTISAN BUDGET RESO-  
2 LUTIONS.—Section 305 of the Congressional Budget and  
3 Impoundment Control Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 636) is  
4 amended by adding at the end the following:

5 “(e) PROCEDURES IN THE SENATE FOR BIPARTISAN  
6 BUDGET RESOLUTIONS.—

7 “(1) OTHER EXPEDITED PROCESS.—In the  
8 Senate, upon the agreement of the majority leader  
9 and the minority leader, additional procedures to ex-  
10 pedite consideration of a bipartisan budget resolu-  
11 tion (which may include limiting the number of  
12 amendments upon which the Senate shall vote) shall  
13 apply to consideration of the bipartisan budget reso-  
14 lution. The majority leader shall submit a written  
15 statement for the Congressional Record reflecting  
16 any agreement described in this paragraph.

17 “(2) PASSAGE.—In the Senate, a bipartisan  
18 budget resolution shall be agreed to only upon the  
19 affirmative vote of not less than—

20 “(A) three-fifths of the Members, duly cho-  
21 sen and sworn; and

22 “(B) 15 Members that are members of the  
23 minority party in the Senate.

24 “(3) AMENDMENTS BETWEEN THE HOUSES  
25 AND CONFERENCE REPORTS.—To be considered a

1       bipartisan budget resolution, a conference report or  
2       an amendment between the Houses on a concurrent  
3       resolution on the budget shall—

4               “(A) comply with section 3(15)(B); and

5               “(B) be agreed to in the Senate by an af-  
6       firmative vote of not less than—

7                       “(i) three-fifths of the Members, duly  
8                       chosen and sworn; and

9                       “(ii) 15 Members that are members of  
10                      the minority party in the Senate.”.

11       (c) RECONCILIATION UNDER BIPARTISAN BUDGET  
12 RESOLUTIONS.—Section 310(e)(2) of the Congressional  
13 Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C.  
14 641(e)(2)) is amended—

15               (1) by inserting “(A)” before “Debate”; and

16               (2) by adding at the end the following:

17               “(B) In the Senate, a reconciliation bill re-  
18       ported under subsection (b) pursuant to reconcili-  
19       ation instructions in a bipartisan budget resolution,  
20       a House amendment thereto, and a conference re-  
21       port thereon shall be agreed to only upon the affirm-  
22       ative vote of not less than—

23                       “(i) a majority of the Members voting, a  
24                       quorum being present; and

1                   “(ii) 15 Members that are members of the  
2                   minority party in the Senate.”.

3           (d) REPORTING.—Section 202 of the Congressional  
4 Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C.  
5 603) is amended by adding at the end the following:

6           “(h) REPORT ON RATIO OF THE PUBLIC DEBT TO  
7 THE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT.—On and after the date  
8 on which the first bipartisan budget resolution is agreed  
9 to, the Director of the Congressional Budget Office shall  
10 submit to Congress semiannual reports on the ratio of the  
11 public debt to the gross domestic product, which shall  
12 evaluate whether the targets in the most recently agreed  
13 to bipartisan budget resolution have been met.”.

**AMENDMENT TO THE CO-CHAIRS MARK  
OFFERED BY MR. BLUNT, MR. WHITEHOUSE, AND  
MR. WOODALL OF GEORGIA**

Page 11, after line 3, insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 108. RECONCILIATION PROCESS.**

2 Section 310(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of  
3 1974 (2 U.S.C. 641) is amended—

4 (1) in the matter before paragraph (1), by  
5 striking “A concurrent” and all that follows through  
6 “shall” and inserting “A concurrent resolution on  
7 the budget for a biennium shall, for each fiscal year  
8 of the biennium”;

9 (2) in paragraph (1)(A), by striking “for such  
10 fiscal year” and inserting “for each fiscal year of the  
11 biennium”;

12 (3) in paragraph (1)(C), by striking “such fis-  
13 cal year” and inserting “each fiscal year of the bien-  
14 nium”; and

15 (4) in paragraph (1)(D), by striking “such fis-  
16 cal year” and inserting “each fiscal year of the bien-  
17 nium”.



Page 11, line 4, strike “**108.**” and insert “**109.**”.

Amend the table of contents accordingly.



**AMENDMENT TO THE CO-CHAIRS MARK**  
**OFFERED BY MR. SCHATZ**

At the end of the bill, add the following:

1 **SEC. 203. OTHER MATTERS IN CONCURRENT BUDGET RES-**  
2 **OLUTION.**

3 Section 301(b) of the Congressional Budget Act of  
4 1974 (2 U.S.C. 632(b)) is amended—

5 (1) in paragraph (8), by striking “and” at the  
6 end;

7 (2) in paragraph (9) by striking the period at  
8 the end and inserting “; and”; and

9 (3) by adding at the end the following:

10 “(10) include total combined outlays and reve-  
11 nues for tax expenditures.”.



**AMENDMENT TO THE CO-CHAIRS MARK  
OFFERED BY MR. KILMER OF WASHINGTON**

At the end of title II, add the following:

**1 SEC. 203. HEARING ON THE FISCAL STATE OF THE NATION.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 45 days (excluding  
3 Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays) after the date on which  
4 the Secretary of the Treasury submits to Congress the au-  
5 dited financial statement required under paragraph (1) of  
6 section 331(e) of title 31, United States Code, on a date  
7 agreed upon by the chairs of the Committees on the Budg-  
8 et of the House of Representatives and the Senate and  
9 the Comptroller General of the United States, the chairs  
10 shall conduct a hearing to receive a presentation from the  
11 Comptroller General reviewing the findings of the audit  
12 required under paragraph (2) of such section and pro-  
13 viding, with respect to the information included by the  
14 Secretary in the report accompanying such audited finan-  
15 cial statement, an analysis of the financial position and  
16 condition of the Federal Government, including financial  
17 measures (such as the net operating cost, income, budget  
18 deficits, or budget surpluses) and sustainability measures  
19 (such as the long-term fiscal projection or social insurance  
20 projection) described in such report.

1           (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The requirement under sub-  
2 section (a) shall apply with respect to any audited finan-  
3 cial statement submitted on or after the date of the enact-  
4 ment of this Act.

