

Balanced Budget Amendment Vote:

On Friday, November 18, I voted in favor of H.J. Res 2, a Balanced Budget Amendment. The resolution was supported by a majority of House members, with a final vote count of 261 to 165. However, H.J.Res 2 was rejected by the House, because it did not gain the two-thirds majority needed to amend the Constitution. I have long been a strong proponent of a Balanced Budget Amendment, introducing my own version in both the 111th and 112th Congresses as well as being a member of the House Balanced Budget Amendment Caucus. The Balanced Budget Amendment is a simple concept. We cannot spend more than our revenues. That's what the Nebraska State Constitution has. It's what the U.S. Constitution needs.