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Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to the authority of Congress and the States to regulate contributions and expenditures in political campaigns and to enact public financing systems for such campaigns.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 24, 2022

Mr. SCHIFF (for himself, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. PHILLIPS, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. WELCH, Mr. TAKANO, Ms. NORTON, Ms. BROWNLEY, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Mrs. BEATTY, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Mr. HUFFMAN, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. JONES, Ms. SHERRILL, Mr. DEFazio, Mr. KAHELE, Mr. GARAMENDI, Mr. DESAULNIER, Mr. SWALWELL, Mr. CASE, Mr. GOMEZ, Mr. CARBAJAL, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. COOPER, Ms. TLAIB, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. RUSH, Mr. TORRES of New York, Ms. PRESSLEY, Mr. MALINOWSKI, Mrs. DINGELL, Ms. PORTER, Mr. TRONE, Mr. CARSON, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. EVANS, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. HIMES, and Ms. BARRAGÁN) submitted the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JOINT RESOLUTION

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1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled*

1 *(two-thirds of each House concurring therein)*, That the fol-
2 lowing article is proposed as an amendment to the Con-
3 stitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all
4 intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when
5 ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several
6 States within seven years after the date of its submission
7 for ratification:

8 “ARTICLE —

9 “Nothing in this Constitution shall be construed to
10 forbid Congress or the States from imposing reasonable
11 viewpoint-neutral limitations on private campaign con-
12 tributions or independent election expenditures, or from
13 enacting systems of public campaign financing, including
14 those designed to restrict the influence of private wealth
15 by offsetting campaign spending or independent expendi-
16 tures with increased public funding.”.

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