

House Joint Resolution 2005 - Introduced

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1 A Joint Resolution urging the United States Congress to propose
2 an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to
3 require the Supreme Court of the United States to be composed
4 of nine justices.

5 WHEREAS, the independence of the Supreme Court of the United
6 States is essential to the preservation of our constitutional
7 system of government; and

8 WHEREAS, expanding the number of justices on the Supreme Court
9 of the United States for political purposes threatens the Supreme
10 Court's long-term stability and undermines public confidence in
11 our judiciary; and

12 WHEREAS, an amendment to the Constitution of the United States
13 is necessary to ensure that the number of Supreme Court justices
14 remains fixed at nine; NOW THEREFORE,

15 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 That the General Assembly of the State of Iowa urges
2 the United States Congress to propose an amendment to the
3 Constitution of the United States that reads "The supreme Court
4 of the United States shall be composed of nine Judges."; and

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate shall
6 send certified copies of this resolution to the President of
7 the United States, the President of the United States Senate,
8 the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and
9 members of the Iowa congressional delegation.

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EXPLANATION

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The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with

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the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

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This joint resolution urges the United States Congress to
14 propose an amendment to the Constitution of the United States
15 requiring the Supreme Court of the United States to be composed
16 of nine justices.