

ARKANSAS SENATE
93rd General Assembly - Regular Session, 2021
Amendment Form

Subtitle of Senate Joint Resolution No. 18

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE THAT THE
UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT SHALL CONSIST OF NINE (9) JUSTICES.

Amendment No. 1 to Senate Joint Resolution 18

Amend Senate Joint Resolution No. 18 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 8 through 10, and substitute the following:

"REQUESTING THAT THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION UNDER
UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 5, TO PROPOSE AN AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED
STATES CONSTITUTION PROVIDING THAT THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES
SHALL BE COMPOSED OF NINE (9) JUSTICES."

AND

Delete the subtitle in its entirety and substitute the following:

"REQUESTING THAT THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO
PROPOSE AN AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION PROVIDING THAT THE
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES SHALL BE COMPOSED OF NINE (9) JUSTICES."

AND

Page 1, delete lines 20 through 26 and substitute the following:

"WHEREAS, United States Constitution, Article 5, provides that the
United States Congress, whenever two-thirds (2/3) of both houses shall deem
it necessary, shall propose amendments to the United States Constitution to



the several states for ratification,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the General Assembly requests that the United States Congress propose an amendment to the United States Constitution for ratification by the several states that reads as follows:

"The Supreme Court of the United States shall be composed of nine (9) justices."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the General Assembly requests that the legislatures of each of the several states request that the United States Congress propose an amendment to the United States Constitution providing that the Supreme Court of the United States shall be composed of nine (9) justices.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Secretary of the Senate transmit a copy of this joint resolution to the President of the United States Senate, the Secretary of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, the members of the Arkansas congressional delegation, and the presiding officer of each house of the legislatures in the several states."

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and _____

By: Senator A. Clark

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Secretary