

1-1 By: Hughes S.C.R. No. 17
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 13, 2023; February 17, 2023,
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs;
 1-4 March 1, 2023, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 11,
 1-5 Nays 0; March 1, 2023, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-8	X			
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1-19 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1-20 WHEREAS, An independent United States Supreme Court is an
 1-21 essential element of America's system of checks and balances that
 1-22 protects our constitutional rights; and

1-23 WHEREAS, For more than 150 years, the U.S. Supreme Court has
 1-24 been composed of nine justices; and

1-25 WHEREAS, The president and congress should be prohibited from
 1-26 undermining the independence of the court by changing the number of
 1-27 appointed justices; now, therefore, be it

1-28 RESOLVED, That the 88th Legislature of the State of Texas
 1-29 hereby respectfully urge the Congress of the United States to
 1-30 propose and submit to the states for ratification the "Keep Nine"
 1-31 amendment to the United States Constitution, stating that "The
 1-32 Supreme Court of the United States shall be composed of nine
 1-33 justices"; and, be it further

1-34 RESOLVED, That the Texas secretary of state forward official
 1-35 copies of this resolution to the president of the United States, to
 1-36 the president of the Senate and the speaker of the House of
 1-37 Representatives of the United States Congress, and to all the
 1-38 members of the Texas delegation to Congress with the request that
 1-39 this resolution be entered in the Congressional Record as a
 1-40 memorial to the Congress of the United States of America.

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