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Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to require that the Supreme Court of the United States be composed of nine justices.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GREEN of Tennessee 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*
3 *(two-thirds of each House concurring therein),*

4 That the following article is proposed as an amend-
5 ment to the Constitution of the United States, which shall
6 be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Con-
7 stitution when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths
8 of the several States within seven years after the date of
9 its submission for ratification:

1 “ARTICLE —

2 “SECTION 1. The Supreme Court of the United
3 States shall be composed of nine justices, though one or
4 more of these nine offices may be vacant until filled.

5 “SECTION 2. If the size of the Supreme Court has
6 been increased to more than nine justices before this
7 amendment is ratified, upon the ratification of this
8 amendment, those additional offices are void.

9 “SECTION 3. Congress shall have the power to en-
10 force this article by appropriate legislation.”.

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