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S. J. RES. 35

To repeal the seventeenth article of amendment to the Constitution of the
United States.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 28, 2004

Mr. MILLER introduced the following joint resolution; which was read twice
and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JOINT RESOLUTION

To repeal the seventeenth article of amendment to the
Constitution of the United States.

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

1 “ARTICLE —

2 “SECTION 1. The seventeenth article of amendment
3 to the Constitution of the United States is hereby re-
4 pealed.

5 “SECTION 2. The Senate of the United States shall
6 be composed of two Senators from each State, chosen by
7 the legislature thereof, for six years; and each Senator
8 shall have one vote.

9 “SECTION 3. If vacancies happen by resignation or
10 otherwise, during the recess of the legislature of any State,
11 the executive thereof may make temporary appointments
12 until the next meeting of the legislature, which shall then
13 fill such vacancies.

14 “SECTION 4. This amendment shall not be so con-
15 strued as to affect the election or term of any Senator
16 chosen before it becomes a valid part of the Constitution.”.

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