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H. J. RES. 55

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to require that Federal district court judges be reconfirmed every ten years by the executive and legislative authorities of the State in which they serve.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 7, 2003

Mr. CULBERSON introduced 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 (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

1 States within seven years after the date of its submission
2 for ratification:

3 “ARTICLE —

4 “Each judge of a court of general original jurisdiction
5 established under article III of this Constitution that sits
6 in a State shall cease to hold office unless, at least once
7 every ten years after that judge’s appointment, the legisla-
8 tive and executive authorities of that State, at such times
9 and in such manner as each State shall by law provide
10 for, approve the continuation in office of that judge.”.

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