

1 **JOINT RESOLUTION URGING CONGRESS TO PROPOSE**
2 **THE KEEP NINE AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES**
3 **CONSTITUTION**

4 2022 GENERAL SESSION

5 STATE OF UTAH

6 **Chief Sponsor: Chris H. Wilson**

7 House Sponsor: Ken Ivory

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9 **LONG TITLE**

10 **General Description:**

11 This joint resolution urges the United States Congress to propose the "Keep Nine
12 Amendment."

13 **Highlighted Provisions:**

14 This resolution:

15 ▶ urges Congress to propose the "Keep Nine Amendment," which would amend the
16 United States Constitution and require the Supreme Court of the United States to
17 remain at nine justices.

18 **Special Clauses:**

19 None

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21 *Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

22 WHEREAS, an independent Supreme Court of the United States is an essential element
23 of America's system of checks and balances that protects our constitutional rights;

24 WHEREAS, the Supreme Court of the United States has been composed of nine
25 justices for more than 150 years; and

26 WHEREAS, the President of the United States and the United States Congress should
27 be prohibited from undermining the independence of the Supreme Court of the United States



28 by changing the number of justices on the Court:

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah
30 urges the United States Congress to propose the "Keep Nine Amendment," which would add
31 the following language to the Constitution of the United States: "The Supreme Court of the
32 United States shall be composed of nine Justices."

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the secretary of the Senate shall send an electronic
34 copy of this resolution to each member of Utah's congressional delegation.