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# H. J. RES. 59

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 6, 1993

Mr. FIELDS of Texas introduced the following joint resolution; which was  
referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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# JOINT RESOLUTION

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States to provide that Federal judges be reconfirmed  
by the Senate every 10 years.

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),* 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       “Notwithstanding section 1 of article III of this Con-  
5 stitution, a judge or justice of a court created under that  
6 article shall not continue in office, except with the consent  
7 of the Senate, given within the first 365 days at the begin-  
8 ning of each successive 10-year period after the judge or  
9 justice first takes office. For the purposes of this article  
10 of amendment, a judge or justice who first took office be-  
11 fore the adoption of this article shall be deemed to have  
12 first taken office on the date of such adoption.”.

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