**South Carolina General Assembly**

124th Session, 2021-2022

**H. 4364**

**STATUS INFORMATION**

House Resolution

Sponsors: Reps. Fry, Jones, May, Taylor, Wooten, Oremus, Huggins, Hardee, McGinnis, Haddon, B. Newton, Jordan, Crawford, Morgan, Long, Erickson, Ballentine, Dabney, Elliott, Trantham, Hiott, Burns, Hewitt, Bustos, T. Moore, McCravy, McGarry, G.R. Smith, Bailey, Kimmons, McCabe, Carter, B. Cox, Felder, Forrest, Hyde, Allison, Bennett, Davis, Herbkersman, Hixon, Ligon, Lowe, Murphy, W. Newton, Sandifer, Thayer, Yow and Daning

Document Path: l:\council\bills\jn\3347ph21.docx

Introduced in the House on May 13, 2021

Currently residing in the House Committee on **Invitations and Memorial Resolutions**

Summary: "Keep Nine Amendment"

**HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS**

Date Body Action Description with journal page number

5/13/2021 House Introduced ([House Journal‑page 4](file:///h:\hj\20210513.docx))

5/13/2021 House Referred to Committee on **Invitations and Memorial Resolutions** ([House Journal‑page 4](file:///h:\hj\20210513.docx))

6/21/2021 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Daning

View the latest [legislative information](http://www.scstatehouse.gov/billsearch.php?billnumbers=4364&session=124&summary=B) at the website

**VERSIONS OF THIS BILL**

[5/13/2021](file:///p:\pprever\2021-22\4364_20210513.docx)

**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO MEMORIALIZE CONGRESS TO PROPOSE THE “KEEP NINE” AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION THAT STATES: “THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES SHALL BE COMPOSED OF NINE JUSTICES”.

Whereas, an independent United States Supreme Court is an essential element of America’s system of checks and balances that protects our Constitutional rights; and

Whereas, the United States Supreme Court has been composed of nine justices for more than one hundred fifty years; and

Whereas, the President and Congress should be prohibited from undermining the independence of the Supreme Court by changing the number of justices on the United States Supreme Court. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, memorialize Congress to propose the “Keep Nine” Amendment to the United States Constitution that states: “The Supreme Court of the United States shall be composed of nine justices.”

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to the members of the South Carolina Congressional Delegation, to the Speaker and Minority Leader of the United States House of Representatives, to the Majority and Minority Leaders of the United States Senate, and to each of the Speakers and Senate Presidents of the ninety‑nine State Legislative Chambers in the fifty states.

‑‑‑‑XX‑‑‑‑