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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. HOYLMAN-SIGAL -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Judiciary

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY

proposing amendments to article 6 of the constitution, in relation to the number of supreme court justices in any judicial district

Section 1. Resolved (if the Assembly concur), That subdivision d of 1 2 section 6 of article 6 of the constitution be amended to read as 3 follows: d. The supreme court is continued. It shall consist of the number of 4 5 justices of the supreme court including the justices designated to the appellate divisions of the supreme court, judges of the county court of 6 7 the counties of Bronx, Kings, Queens and Richmond and judges of the court of general sessions of the county of New York authorized by law on 8 9 the thirty-first day of August next after the approval and ratification 10 of this amendment by the people, all of whom shall be justices of the 11 supreme court for the remainder of their terms. The legislature may 12 increase the number of justices of the supreme court in any judicial 13 district[, except that the number in any district shall not be increased 14 to exceed one justice for fifty thousand, or fraction over thirty thou-15 sand, of the population thereof as shown by the last federal census or 16 **state enumeration**]. The legislature may decrease the number of justices 17 of the supreme court in any judicial district, except that the number in 18 any district shall not be less than the number of justices of the supreme court authorized by law on the effective date of this article. 19 20 § 2. Resolved (if the Assembly concur), That the foregoing amendments 21 be referred to the first regular legislative session convening after the 22 next succeeding general election of members of the assembly, and, in 23 conformity with section 1 of article 19 of the constitution, be 24 published for 3 months previous to the time of such election.

EXPLANATION--Matter in <u>italics</u> (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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