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H. J. RES. 199

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to temporarily fill vacancies in the House of Representatives to further the continuity of Congress.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 2, 2026

Mr. TIMMONS (for himself and Mr. CLEAVER) submitted 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
8 States within seven years after the date of its submission
9 for ratification:

1 poses of section 1. In the event of the death of an indi-
2 vidual designated under section 2, the chief executive of
3 the State involved shall select an individual from the most
4 recent list of designees provided by the individual des-
5 igned under section 2, as provided by section 1, and the
6 Speaker of the House shall immediately fill the vacancy
7 with the individual selected.”.

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