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# H. J. RES. 75

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to the use of foreign law as authority in Federal courts.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 5, 2011

Mr. CULBERSON introduced the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## 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*  
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  
8       States within seven years after the date of its submission  
9       for ratification:

1 “ARTICLE —

2 “SECTION 1. Any legal opinion or ruling issued by  
3 any court in the United States, including those rulings and  
4 opinions issued by the Supreme Court of the United  
5 States, shall be based only on the United States Constitu-  
6 tion, or on duly enacted statutes and domestic case law  
7 of the United States or any State and shall not be based  
8 on international laws, treaties, or religious laws.

9 “SECTION 2. Any action of a court in violation of sec-  
10 tion 1 is null and void.”

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