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5 On page 1, strike lines 14 through 19 of the amendment, and insert 6 the following:

"WHEREAS, In 1889, the people of the Territory of Washington 7 ratified the Constitution of the State of Washington that established 8 9 the judiciary as a separate branch of government under Article IV, vested the judicial power of the state in the Supreme Court and lower 10 11 courts under Article IV, Section 1, and established an independent and autonomous power of the legislature to remove a superior court judge 12 13 from office under Article IV, Section 9, or to impeach and remove a superior court judge from office under Article V; and" 14

15 On page 2, line 4 of the amendment, after "1" insert "and Article 16 IV, Section 31"

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