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<u>AMENDMENT TO SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1</u> (First Reading File Joint Resolution)

On pages 1 and 2, strike beginning with "FIFA" in line 23 on page 1 down through "games" in line 2 on page 2 and substitute "<u>14 FIFA officials, including its Vice</u> <u>President, were arrested on May 27, 2015, by Swiss authorities in Zurich, and the</u> <u>arrests were made at the request of the United States Department of Justice on charges</u> <u>of money laundering, racketeering, fraud, and bribery for damages exceeding \$150 million; and</u>

<u>WHEREAS, Swiss and United States authorities have initiated separate criminal</u> <u>investigations into the location selection for the 2018 and 2022 World Cup</u> <u>championships that were awarded to Russia and Qatar, respectively; and</u>

WHEREAS, FIFA has operated for years as an unaccountable, opaque, and notoriously corrupt organization; and the recent arrests confirm that the fraud and corruption in FIFA are systemic, widespread, and persistent rather than isolated cases of misconduct".

On page 2, strike in their entirety lines 7 through 11, inclusive; and after line 19, insert:

"<u>RESOLVED</u>, That the General Assembly finds that good governance in sports is a precondition for the autonomy and self-regulation of sports organizations, in accordance with the principles of transparency, accountability, and democracy, and stresses the need for a zero-tolerance policy on corruption in sports; and be it further

<u>RESOLVED</u>, That the General Assembly urges FIFA to implement strict ethical standards and a code of conduct for management of World Cup 2026; and be it further".