

111TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. R. 6381

To clarify the application of certain Federal laws relating to elections to American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, and the United States Virgin Islands.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 29, 2010

Mr. SABLAN (for himself, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Ms. BORDALLO, Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, and Mr. PIERLUISI) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on House Administration, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## A BILL

To clarify the application of certain Federal laws relating to elections to American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, and the United States Virgin Islands.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. CLARIFICATION OF APPLICATION OF FEDERAL**  
2 **ELECTION LAWS TO CERTAIN JURISDIC-**  
3 **TIONS.**

4 (a) **FEDERAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN ACT OF 1971.**—  
5 Section 301(12) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of  
6 1971 (2 U.S.C. 431(12)) is amended by striking “or a  
7 territory or possession of the United States” and inserting  
8 “American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern  
9 Mariana Islands, Guam, or the United States Virgin Is-  
10 lands”.

11 (b) **CRIMINAL PENALTIES.**—

12 (1) **INTIMIDATION OF VOTERS.**—Section 594 of  
13 title 18, United States Code, is amended by striking  
14 “Delegate from the District of Columbia, or Resi-  
15 dent Commissioner,” and inserting “or Delegate or  
16 Resident Commissioner to the Congress”.

17 (2) **INTERFERENCE BY GOVERNMENT EMPLOY-**  
18 **EES.**—Section 595 of title 18, United States Code,  
19 is amended by striking “Delegate from the District  
20 of Columbia, or Resident Commissioner,” and insert-  
21 ing “or Delegate or Resident Commissioner to the  
22 Congress”.

23 (3) **VOTING BY ALIENS.**—Section 611(a) of title  
24 18, United States Code, is amended by striking  
25 “Delegate from the District of Columbia, or Resi-

1       dent Commissioner,” and inserting “or Delegate or  
2       Resident Commissioner to the Congress”.

3       (c) VOTING RIGHTS ACT OF 1965.—Section 11 of the  
4       Voting Rights Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 1973i) is amended  
5       by striking “Delegate from the District of Columbia,  
6       Guam, or the Virgin Islands, or Resident Commissioner  
7       of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico” each place it ap-  
8       pears in subsections (c) and (e)(2) and inserting “or Dele-  
9       gate or Resident Commissioner to the Congress”.

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