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To provide for the admission of the State of Washington, D.C. into the  
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## A BILL

To provide for the admission of the State of Washington,  
D.C. into the Union.

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

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4       (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the  
5       “Washington, D.C. Admission Act”.

6       (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents of  
7       this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

### TITLE I—STATE OF WASHINGTON, DC

#### Subtitle A—Procedures for Admission

Sec. 101. Admission into the Union.

Sec. 102. Elections of Senators and Representative.

Sec. 103. Issuance of Presidential proclamation.

#### Subtitle B—Seat of Government of the United States

Sec. 111. Territory and boundaries.

Sec. 112. Description of Capital.

Sec. 113. Retention of title to property.

- Sec. 114. Effect of admission on current laws of seat of Government of United States.
- Sec. 115. Capital National Guard.
- Sec. 116. Termination of legal status of seat of Government of United States as municipal corporation.

#### Subtitle C—General Provisions Relating to Laws of State

- Sec. 121. Effect of admission on current laws.
- Sec. 122. Pending actions and proceedings.
- Sec. 123. Limitation on authority to tax Federal property.
- Sec. 124. United States nationality.

### TITLE II—INTERESTS OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

#### Subtitle A—Federal Property

- Sec. 201. Treatment of military lands.
- Sec. 202. Waiver of claims to Federal property.

#### Subtitle B—Federal Courts

- Sec. 211. Residency requirements for certain Federal officials.
- Sec. 212. Renaming of Federal courts.
- Sec. 213. Conforming amendments relating to Department of Justice.
- Sec. 214. Treatment of pretrial services in United States District Court.

#### Subtitle C—Federal Elections

- Sec. 221. Permitting individuals residing in Capital to vote in Federal elections in State of most recent domicile.
- Sec. 222. Repeal of Office of District of Columbia Delegate.
- Sec. 223. Repeal of law providing for participation of seat of government in election of President and Vice President.
- Sec. 224. Expedited procedures for consideration of constitutional amendment repealing 23rd Amendment.

### TITLE III—CONTINUATION OF CERTAIN AUTHORITIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

#### Subtitle A—Employee Benefits

- Sec. 301. Federal benefit payments under certain retirement programs.
- Sec. 302. Continuation of Federal civil service benefits for employees first employed prior to establishment of District of Columbia merit personnel system.
- Sec. 303. Obligations of Federal Government under judges' retirement program.

#### Subtitle B—Agencies

- Sec. 311. Public Defender Service.
- Sec. 312. Prosecutions.
- Sec. 313. Service of United States Marshals.
- Sec. 314. Designation of felons to facilities of Bureau of Prisons.
- Sec. 315. Parole and supervision.
- Sec. 316. Courts.

Subtitle C—Other Programs and Authorities

- Sec. 321. Application of the College Access Act.
- Sec. 322. Application of the Scholarships for Opportunity and Results Act.
- Sec. 323. Medicaid Federal medical assistance percentage.
- Sec. 324. Federal planning commissions.
- Sec. 325. Role of Army Corps of Engineers in supplying water.
- Sec. 326. Requirements to be located in District of Columbia.

TITLE IV—GENERAL PROVISIONS

- Sec. 401. General definitions.
- Sec. 402. Statehood Transition Commission.
- Sec. 403. Certification of enactment by President.
- Sec. 404. Severability.

**TITLE I—STATE OF  
WASHINGTON, D.C.  
Subtitle A—Procedures for  
Admission**

**SEC. 101. ADMISSION INTO THE UNION.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to the provisions of this Act, upon the issuance of the proclamation required by section 103(a), the State of Washington, Douglass Commonwealth is declared to be a State of the United States of America, and is declared admitted into the Union on an equal footing with the other States in all respects whatever.

(b) CONSTITUTION OF STATE.—The State Constitution shall always be republican in form and shall not be repugnant to the Constitution of the United States or the principles of the Declaration of Independence.

(c) NONSEVERABILITY.—If any provision of this section, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held to be invalid, the remaining provisions

1 of this Act and any amendments made by this Act shall  
2 be treated as invalid.

3 **SEC. 102. ELECTIONS OF SENATORS AND REPRESENTA-**  
4 **TIVE.**

5 (a) ISSUANCE OF PROCLAMATION.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not more than 30 days after  
7 receiving certification of the enactment of this Act  
8 from the President pursuant to section 403, the  
9 Mayor shall issue a proclamation for the first elec-  
10 tions for 2 Senators and one Representative in Con-  
11 gress from the State, subject to the provisions of  
12 this section.

13 (2) SPECIAL RULE FOR ELECTIONS OF SEN-  
14 ATORS.—In the elections of Senators from the State  
15 pursuant to paragraph (1), the 2 Senate offices shall  
16 be separately identified and designated, and no per-  
17 son may be a candidate for both offices. No such  
18 identification or designation of either of the offices  
19 shall refer to or be taken to refer to the terms of  
20 such offices, or in any way impair the privilege of  
21 the Senate to determine the class to which each of  
22 the Senators shall be assigned.

23 (b) RULES FOR CONDUCTING ELECTIONS.—

24 (1) IN GENERAL.—The proclamation of the  
25 Mayor issued under subsection (a) shall provide for

1 the holding of a primary election and a general elec-  
2 tion, and in such elections the officers required to be  
3 elected as provided in subsection (a) shall be chosen  
4 by the qualified voters of the District of Columbia  
5 in the manner required by the laws of the District  
6 of Columbia.

7 (2) CERTIFICATION OF RESULTS.—Election re-  
8 sults shall be certified in the manner required by the  
9 laws of the District of Columbia, except that the  
10 Mayor shall also provide written certification of the  
11 results of such elections to the President.

12 (c) ASSUMPTION OF DUTIES.—Upon the admission  
13 of the State into the Union, the Senators and Representa-  
14 tive elected in the elections described in subsection (a)  
15 shall be entitled to be admitted to seats in Congress and  
16 to all the rights and privileges of Senators and Represent-  
17 atives of the other States in Congress.

18 (d) EFFECT OF ADMISSION ON HOUSE OF REP-  
19 RESENTATIVES MEMBERSHIP.—

20 (1) PERMANENT INCREASE IN NUMBER OF  
21 MEMBERS.—Effective with respect to the Congress  
22 during which the State is admitted into the Union  
23 and each succeeding Congress, the House of Rep-  
24 resentatives shall be composed of 436 Members, in-  
25 cluding any Members representing the State.

1           (2) INITIAL NUMBER OF REPRESENTATIVES  
 2           FOR STATE.—Until the taking effect of the first ap-  
 3           portionment of Members occurring after the admis-  
 4           sion of the State into the Union, the State shall be  
 5           entitled to one Representative in the House of Rep-  
 6           resentatives upon its admission into the Union.

7           (3) APPORTIONMENT OF MEMBERS RESULTING  
 8           FROM ADMISSION OF STATE.—

9                   (A) APPORTIONMENT.—Section 22(a) of  
 10           the Act entitled “An Act to provide for the fif-  
 11           teenth and subsequent decennial censuses and  
 12           to provide for apportionment of Representatives  
 13           in Congress”, approved June 18, 1929 (2  
 14           U.S.C. 2a(a)), is amended by striking “the then  
 15           existing number of Representatives” and insert-  
 16           ing “436 Representatives”.

17                   (B) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment  
 18           made by subparagraph (A) shall apply with re-  
 19           spect to the first regular decennial census con-  
 20           ducted after the admission of the State into the  
 21           Union and each subsequent regular decennial  
 22           census.

23 **SEC. 103. ISSUANCE OF PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION.**

24           The President, upon the certification of the results  
 25           of the elections of the officers required to be elected as

1 provided in section 102(a), shall, not later than 90 days  
2 after receiving such certification pursuant to section  
3 102(b)(2), issue a proclamation announcing the results of  
4 such elections as so ascertained.

## 5 **Subtitle B—Seat of Government of** 6 **the United States**

### 7 **SEC. 111. TERRITORY AND BOUNDARIES.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection  
9 (b), the State shall consist of all of the territory of the  
10 District of Columbia as of the date of the enactment of  
11 this Act, subject to the results of the metes and bounds  
12 survey conducted under subsection (c).

13 (b) EXCLUSION OF PORTION REMAINING AS SEAT OF  
14 GOVERNMENT OF UNITED STATES.—The territory of the  
15 State shall not include the area described in section 112,  
16 which shall be known as the “Capital” and shall serve as  
17 the seat of the Government of the United States, as pro-  
18 vided in clause 17 of section 8 of article I of the Constitu-  
19 tion of the United States.

20 (c) METES AND BOUNDS SURVEY.—Not later than  
21 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
22 President (in consultation with the Chair of the National  
23 Capital Planning Commission) shall conduct a metes and  
24 bounds survey of the Capital, as described in section  
25 112(b).



1 **SEC. 112. DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsections (c) and (d),  
3 upon the admission of the State into the Union, the Cap-  
4 ital shall consist of the property described in subsection  
5 (b) and shall include the principal Federal monuments,  
6 the White House, the Capitol Building, the United States  
7 Supreme Court Building, and the Federal executive, legis-  
8 lative, and judicial office buildings located adjacent to the  
9 Mall and the Capitol Building (as such terms are used  
10 in section 8501(a) of title 40, United States Code).

11 (b) GENERAL DESCRIPTION.—Upon the admission of  
12 the State into the Union, the boundaries of the Capital  
13 shall be as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the  
14 southern right-of-way of F Street NE and the eastern  
15 right-of-way of 2nd Street NE;

16 (1) thence south along said eastern right-of-way  
17 of 2nd Street NE to its intersection with the north-  
18 eastern right-of-way of Maryland Avenue NE;

19 (2) thence southwest along said northeastern  
20 right-of-way of Maryland Avenue NE to its intersec-  
21 tion with the northern right-of-way of Constitution  
22 Avenue NE;

23 (3) thence west along said northern right-of-  
24 way of Constitution Avenue NE to its intersection  
25 with the eastern right-of-way of 1st Street NE;

1           (4) thence south along said eastern right-of-way  
2           of 1st Street NE to its intersection with the south-  
3           eastern right-of-way of Maryland Avenue NE;

4           (5) thence northeast along said southeastern  
5           right-of-way of Maryland Avenue NE to its intersec-  
6           tion with the eastern right-of-way of 2nd Street NE;

7           (6) thence south along said eastern right-of-way  
8           of 2nd Street NE to the eastern right-of-way of 2nd  
9           Street SE;

10          (7) thence south along said eastern right-of-way  
11          of 2nd Street SE to its intersection with the north-  
12          ern property boundary of the property designated as  
13          Square 760 Lot 803;

14          (8) thence east along said northern property  
15          boundary of Square 760 Lot 803 to its intersection  
16          with the western right-of-way of 3rd Street SE;

17          (9) thence south along said western right-of-  
18          way of 3rd Street SE to its intersection with the  
19          northern right-of-way of Independence Avenue SE;

20          (10) thence west along said northern right-of-  
21          way of Independence Avenue SE to its intersection  
22          with the northeastern right-of-way of Pennsylvania  
23          Avenue SE;

24          (11) thence northwest along said northeastern  
25          right-of-way of Pennsylvania Avenue SE to its inter-

1 section with the eastern right-of-way of 2nd Street  
2 SE;

3 (12) thence south along said eastern right-of-  
4 way of 2nd Street SE to its intersection with the  
5 southern right-of-way of C Street SE;

6 (13) thence west along said southern right-of-  
7 way of C Street SE to its intersection with the east-  
8 ern right-of-way of 1st Street SE;

9 (14) thence south along said eastern right-of-  
10 way of 1st Street SE to its intersection with the  
11 southern right-of-way of D Street SE;

12 (15) thence west along said southern right-of-  
13 way of D Street SE to its intersection with the east-  
14 ern right-of-way of South Capitol Street;

15 (16) thence south along said eastern right-of-  
16 way of South Capitol Street to its intersection with  
17 the northeastern right-of-way of Canal Street SE;

18 (17) thence southeast along said northeastern  
19 right-of-way of Canal Street SE to its intersection  
20 with the southern right-of-way of E Street SE;

21 (18) thence east along said southern right-of-  
22 way of E Street SE to its intersection with the west-  
23 ern right-of-way of 1st Street SE;

24 (19) thence south along said western right-of-  
25 way of 1st Street SE to its intersection with the

1 southernmost corner of the property designated as  
2 Square 736S Lot 801;

3 (20) thence west along a line extended due west  
4 from said corner of said property designated as  
5 Square 736S Lot 801 to its intersection with the  
6 southwestern right-of-way of New Jersey Avenue  
7 SE;

8 (21) thence southeast along said southwestern  
9 right-of-way of New Jersey Avenue SE to its inter-  
10 section with the northeastern right-of-way of Vir-  
11 ginia Avenue SE;

12 (22) thence northwest along said northeastern  
13 right-of-way of Virginia Avenue SE to its intersec-  
14 tion with the western right-of-way of South Capitol  
15 Street;

16 (23) thence north along said western right-of-  
17 way of South Capitol Street to its intersection with  
18 the southern right-of-way of E Street SW;

19 (24) thence west along said southern right-of-  
20 way of E Street SW to its end;

21 (25) thence west along a line extending said  
22 southern right-of-way of E Street SW westward to  
23 its intersection with the eastern right-of-way of 2nd  
24 Street SW;

1           (26) thence north along said eastern right-of-  
2       way of 2nd Street SW to its intersection with the  
3       southwestern right-of-way of Virginia Avenue SW;

4           (27) thence northwest along said southwestern  
5       right-of-way of Virginia Avenue SW to its intersec-  
6       tion with the western right-of-way of 3rd Street SW;

7           (28) thence north along said western right-of-  
8       way of 3rd Street SW to its intersection with the  
9       northern right-of-way of D Street SW;

10          (29) thence west along said northern right-of-  
11       way of D Street SW to its intersection with the east-  
12       ern right-of-way of 4th Street SW;

13          (30) thence north along said eastern right-of-  
14       way of 4th Street SW to its intersection with the  
15       northern right-of-way of C Street SW;

16          (31) thence west along said northern right-of-  
17       way of C Street SW to its intersection with the east-  
18       ern right-of-way of 6th Street SW;

19          (32) thence north along said eastern right-of-  
20       way of 6th Street SW to its intersection with the  
21       northern right-of-way of Independence Avenue SW;

22          (33) thence west along said northern right-of-  
23       way of Independence Avenue SW to its intersection  
24       with the western right-of-way of 12th Street SW;

1           (34) thence south along said western right-of-  
2       way of 12th Street SW to its intersection with the  
3       northern right-of-way of D Street SW;

4           (35) thence west along said northern right-of-  
5       way of D Street SW to its intersection with the east-  
6       ern right-of-way of 14th Street SW;

7           (36) thence south along said eastern right-of-  
8       way of 14th Street SW to its intersection with the  
9       northwestern boundary of the Consolidated Rail Cor-  
10      poration railroad easement;

11          (37) thence southwest along said northwestern  
12      boundary of the Consolidated Rail Corporation rail-  
13      road easement to its intersection with the eastern  
14      shore of the Potomac River;

15          (38) thence generally northwest along said east-  
16      ern shore of the Potomac River to its intersection  
17      with a line extending westward from the northern  
18      boundary of the property designated as Square 12  
19      Lot 806;

20          (39) thence east along said line extending west-  
21      ward from the northern boundary of the property  
22      designated as Square 12 Lot 806 to the northern  
23      boundary of the property designated as Square 12  
24      Lot 806, and continuing east along the northern

1 boundary of the property designated as Square 12  
2 Lot 806 to its northeast corner;

3 (40) thence east along a line extending east  
4 from said northeast corner of the property des-  
5 ignated as Square 12 Lot 806 to its intersection  
6 with the western boundary of the property des-  
7 ignated as Square 33 Lot 87;

8 (41) thence south along said western boundary  
9 of the property designated as Square 33 Lot 87 to  
10 its intersection with the northwest corner of the  
11 property designated as Square 33 Lot 88;

12 (42) thence counter-clockwise around the  
13 boundary of said property designated as Square 33  
14 Lot 88 to its southeast corner, which is along the  
15 northern right-of-way of E Street NW;

16 (43) thence east along said northern right-of-  
17 way of E Street NW to its intersection with the  
18 western right-of-way of 18th Street NW;

19 (44) thence south along said western right-of-  
20 way of 18th Street NW to its intersection with the  
21 southwestern right-of-way of Virginia Avenue NW;

22 (45) thence southeast along said southwestern  
23 right-of-way of Virginia Avenue NW to its intersec-  
24 tion with the northern right-of-way of Constitution  
25 Avenue NW;

1           (46) thence east along said northern right-of-  
2       way of Constitution Avenue NW to its intersection  
3       with the eastern right-of-way of 17th Street NW;

4           (47) thence north along said eastern right-of-  
5       way of 17th Street NW to its intersection with the  
6       southern right-of-way of H Street NW;

7           (48) thence east along said southern right-of-  
8       way of H Street NW to its intersection with the  
9       northwest corner of the property designated as  
10      Square 221 Lot 35;

11          (49) thence counter-clockwise around the  
12      boundary of said property designated as Square 221  
13      Lot 35 to its southeast corner, which is along the  
14      boundary of the property designated as Square 221  
15      Lot 37;

16          (50) thence counter-clockwise around the  
17      boundary of said property designated as Square 221  
18      Lot 37 to its southwest corner, which it shares with  
19      the property designated as Square 221 Lot 42;

20          (51) thence south along the boundary of said  
21      property designated as Square 221 Lot 42 to its  
22      southwest corner;

23          (52) thence east along the southern border of  
24      said property designated as Square 221 Lot 42 to



1 its intersection with the northwest corner of the  
2 property designated as Square 221 Lot 41;

3 (53) thence south along the western boundary  
4 of said property designated as Square 221 Lot 41  
5 to its southwest corner, which is along the northern  
6 right-of-way of Pennsylvania Avenue NW;

7 (54) thence east along said northern right-of-  
8 way of Pennsylvania Avenue NW to its intersection  
9 with the western right-of-way of 15th Street NW;

10 (55) thence south along said western right-of-  
11 way of 15th Street NW to its intersection with a line  
12 extending northwest from the southern right-of-way  
13 of the portion of Pennsylvania Avenue NW north of  
14 Pershing Square;

15 (56) thence southeast along said line extending  
16 the southern right-of-way of Pennsylvania Avenue  
17 NW to the southern right-of-way of Pennsylvania  
18 Avenue NW, and continuing southeast along said  
19 southern right-of-way of Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
20 to its intersection with the western right-of-way of  
21 14th Street NW;

22 (57) thence south along said western right-of-  
23 way of 14th Street NW to its intersection with a line  
24 extending west from the southern right-of-way of D  
25 Street NW;

1           (58) thence east along said line extending west  
2           from the southern right-of-way of D Street NW to  
3           the southern right-of-way of D Street NW, and con-  
4           tinuing east along said southern right-of-way of D  
5           Street NW to its intersection with the eastern right-  
6           of-way of 13½ Street NW;

7           (59) thence north along said eastern right-of-  
8           way of 13½ Street NW to its intersection with the  
9           southern right-of-way of Pennsylvania Avenue NW;

10          (60) thence east and southeast along said  
11          southern right-of-way of Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
12          to its intersection with the western right-of-way of  
13          12th Street NW;

14          (61) thence south along said western right-of-  
15          way of 12th Street NW to its intersection with a line  
16          extending to the west from the southern boundary of  
17          the property designated as Square 324 Lot 809;

18          (62) thence east along said line to the south-  
19          west corner of said property designated as Square  
20          324 Lot 809, and continuing northeast along the  
21          southern boundary of said property designated as  
22          Square 324 Lot 809 to its eastern corner, which it  
23          shares with the property designated as Square 323  
24          Lot 802;

1           (63) thence east along the southern boundary  
2           of said property designated as Square 323 Lot 802  
3           to its southeast corner, which it shares with the  
4           property designated as Square 324 Lot 808;

5           (64) thence counter-clockwise around the  
6           boundary of said property designated as Square 324  
7           Lot 808 to its northeastern corner, which is along  
8           the southern right-of-way of Pennsylvania Avenue  
9           NW;

10          (65) thence southeast along said southern right-  
11          of-way of Pennsylvania Avenue NW to its intersec-  
12          tion with the eastern right-of-way of 4th Street NW;

13          (66) thence north along a line extending north  
14          from said eastern right-of-way of 4th Street NW to  
15          its intersection with the southern right-of-way of C  
16          Street NW;

17          (67) thence east along said southern right-of-  
18          way of C Street NW to its intersection with the east-  
19          ern right-of-way of 3rd Street NW;

20          (68) thence north along said eastern right-of-  
21          way of 3rd Street NW to its intersection with the  
22          southern right-of-way of D Street NW;

23          (69) thence east along said southern right-of-  
24          way of D Street NW to its intersection with the  
25          western right-of-way of 1st Street NW;

1           (70) thence south along said western right-of-  
2       way of 1st Street NW to its intersection with the  
3       northern right-of-way of C Street NW;

4           (71) thence west along said northern right-of-  
5       way of C Street NW to its intersection with the  
6       western right-of-way of 2nd Street NW;

7           (72) thence south along said western right-of-  
8       way of 2nd Street NW to its intersection with the  
9       northern right-of-way of Constitution Avenue NW;

10          (73) thence east along said northern right-of-  
11       way of Constitution Avenue NW to its intersection  
12       with the northwestern right-of-way of Louisiana Av-  
13       enue NW;

14          (74) thence northeast along said northwestern  
15       right-of-way of Louisiana Avenue NW to its inter-  
16       section with the southwestern right-of-way of New  
17       Jersey Avenue NW;

18          (75) thence northwest along said southwestern  
19       right-of-way of New Jersey Avenue NW to its inter-  
20       section with the northern right-of-way of D Street  
21       NW;

22          (76) thence east along said northern right-of-  
23       way of D Street NW to its intersection with the  
24       northwestern right-of-way of Louisiana Avenue NW;

1           (77) thence northeast along said northwestern  
2           right-of-way of Louisiana Avenue NW to its inter-  
3           section with the western right-of-way of North Cap-  
4           itol Street;

5           (78) thence north along said western right-of-  
6           way of North Capitol Street to its intersection with  
7           the southwestern right-of-way of Massachusetts Ave-  
8           nue NW;

9           (79) thence southeast along said southwestern  
10          right-of-way of Massachusetts Avenue NW to the  
11          southwestern right-of-way of Massachusetts Avenue  
12          NE;

13          (80) thence southeast along said southwestern  
14          right-of-way of Massachusetts Avenue NE to the  
15          southern right-of-way of Columbus Circle NE;

16          (81) thence counter-clockwise along said south-  
17          ern right-of-way of Columbus Circle NE to its inter-  
18          section with the southern right-of-way of F Street  
19          NE; and

20          (82) thence east along said southern right-of-  
21          way of F Street NE to the point of beginning.

22          (c) EXCLUSION OF BUILDING SERVING AS STATE  
23          CAPITOL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this  
24          section, after the admission of the State into the Union,  
25          the Capital shall not be considered to include the building

1 known as the “John A. Wilson Building”, as described  
2 and designated under section 601(a) of the Omnibus  
3 Spending Reduction Act of 1993 (sec. 10–1301(a), D.C.  
4 Official Code).

5 (d) CLARIFICATION OF TREATMENT OF FRANCES  
6 PERKINS BUILDING.—The entirety of the Frances Per-  
7 kins Building, including any portion of the Building which  
8 is north of D Street NW, shall be considered to be in-  
9 cluded in the Capital.

10 **SEC. 113. RETENTION OF TITLE TO PROPERTY.**

11 (a) RETENTION OF FEDERAL TITLE.—The United  
12 States shall have and retain title to, or jurisdiction over,  
13 for purposes of administration and maintenance, all real  
14 and personal property with respect to which the United  
15 States holds title or jurisdiction for such purposes on the  
16 day before the date of the admission of the State into the  
17 Union.

18 (b) RETENTION OF STATE TITLE.—The State shall  
19 have and retain title to, or jurisdiction over, for purposes  
20 of administration and maintenance, all real and personal  
21 property with respect to which the District of Columbia  
22 holds title or jurisdiction for such purposes on the day  
23 before the date of the admission of the State into the  
24 Union.

1 **SEC. 114. EFFECT OF ADMISSION ON CURRENT LAWS OF**  
2 **SEAT OF GOVERNMENT OF UNITED STATES.**

3 Except as otherwise provided in this Act, the laws  
4 of the District of Columbia which are in effect on the day  
5 before the date of the admission of the State into the  
6 Union (without regard to whether such laws were enacted  
7 by Congress or by the District of Columbia) shall apply  
8 in the Capital in the same manner and to the same extent  
9 beginning on the date of the admission of the State into  
10 the Union, and shall be deemed laws of the United States  
11 which are applicable only in or to the Capital.

12 **SEC. 115. CAPITAL NATIONAL GUARD.**

13 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Title 32, United States Code,  
14 is amended as follows:

15 (1) DEFINITIONS.—In paragraphs (4), (6), and  
16 (19) of section 101, by striking “District of Colum-  
17 bia” each place it appears and inserting “Capital”.

18 (2) BRANCHES AND ORGANIZATIONS.—In sec-  
19 tion 103, by striking “District of Columbia” and in-  
20 serting “Capital”.

21 (3) UNITS: LOCATION; ORGANIZATION; COM-  
22 MAND.—In subsections (c) and (d) of section 104,  
23 by striking “District of Columbia” both places it ap-  
24 pears and inserting “Capital”.

1           (4) AVAILABILITY OF APPROPRIATIONS.—In  
2       section 107(b), by striking “District of Columbia”  
3       and inserting “Capital”.

4           (5) MAINTENANCE OF OTHER TROOPS.—In  
5       subsections (a), (b), and (c) of section 109, by strik-  
6       ing “District of Columbia” each place it appears and  
7       inserting “Capital”.

8           (6) DRUG INTERDICTION AND COUNTER-DRUG  
9       ACTIVITIES.—In section 112(h)—

10           (A) by striking “District of Columbia,”  
11       both places it appears and inserting “Capital,”;  
12       and

13           (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “Na-  
14       tional Guard of the District of Columbia” and  
15       inserting “Capital National Guard”.

16           (7) ENLISTMENT OATH.—In section 304, by  
17       striking “District of Columbia” and inserting “Cap-  
18       ital”.

19           (8) ADJUTANTS GENERAL.—In section 314, by  
20       striking “District of Columbia” each place it ap-  
21       pears and inserting “Capital”.

22           (9) DETAIL OF REGULAR MEMBERS OF ARMY  
23       AND AIR FORCE TO DUTY WITH NATIONAL GUARD.—  
24       In section 315, by striking “District of Columbia”  
25       each place it appears and inserting “Capital”.



1           (10) DISCHARGE OF OFFICERS; TERMINATION  
2           OF APPOINTMENT.—In section 324(b), by striking  
3           “District of Columbia” and inserting “Capital”.

4           (11) RELIEF FROM NATIONAL GUARD DUTY  
5           WHEN ORDERED TO ACTIVE DUTY.—In subsections  
6           (a) and (b) of section 325, by striking “District of  
7           Columbia” each place it appears and inserting “Cap-  
8           ital”.

9           (12) COURTS-MARTIAL OF NATIONAL GUARD  
10          NOT IN FEDERAL SERVICE: COMPOSITION, JURISDIC-  
11          TION, AND PROCEDURES; CONVENING AUTHORITY.—  
12          In sections 326 and 327, by striking “District of Co-  
13          lumbia” each place it appears and inserting “Cap-  
14          ital”.

15          (13) ACTIVE GUARD AND RESERVE DUTY: GOV-  
16          ERNOR’S AUTHORITY.—In section 328(a), by strik-  
17          ing “District of Columbia” and inserting “Capital”.

18          (14) TRAINING GENERALLY.—In section  
19          501(b), by striking “District of Columbia” and in-  
20          serting “Capital”.

21          (15) PARTICIPATION IN FIELD EXERCISES.—In  
22          section 503(b), by striking “District of Columbia”  
23          and inserting “Capital”.

1           (16) NATIONAL GUARD SCHOOLS AND SMALL  
2 ARMS COMPETITIONS.—In section 504(b), by strik-  
3 ing “District of Columbia” and inserting “Capital”.

4           (17) ARMY AND AIR FORCE SCHOOLS AND  
5 FIELD EXERCISES.—In section 505, by striking  
6 “National Guard of the District of Columbia” and  
7 inserting “Capital National Guard”.

8           (18) NATIONAL GUARD YOUTH CHALLENGE  
9 PROGRAM.—In subsections (c)(1), (g)(2), (j), (k),  
10 and (l)(1) of section 509, by striking “District of  
11 Columbia” each place it appears and inserting “Cap-  
12 ital”.

13           (19) ISSUE OF SUPPLIES.—In section 702—

14               (A) in subsection (a), by striking “Na-  
15 tional Guard of the District of Columbia” and  
16 inserting “Capital National Guard”; and

17               (B) in subsections (b), (c), and (d), by  
18 striking “District of Columbia” each place it  
19 appears and inserting “Capital”.

20           (20) PURCHASES OF SUPPLIES FROM ARMY OR  
21 AIR FORCE.—In subsections (a) and (b) of section  
22 703, by striking “District of Columbia” both places  
23 it appears and inserting “Capital”.

1           (21) ACCOUNTABILITY: RELIEF FROM UPON  
2           ORDER TO ACTIVE DUTY.—In section 704, by strik-  
3           ing “District of Columbia” and inserting “Capital”.

4           (22) PROPERTY AND FISCAL OFFICERS.—In  
5           section 708—

6                   (A) in subsection (a), by striking “Na-  
7                   tional Guard of the District of Columbia” and  
8                   inserting “Capital National Guard”; and

9                   (B) in subsection (d), by striking “District  
10                  of Columbia” and inserting “Capital”.

11           (23) ACCOUNTABILITY FOR PROPERTY ISSUED  
12           TO THE NATIONAL GUARD.—In subsections (c), (d),  
13           (e), and (f) of section 710, by striking “District of  
14           Columbia” each place it appears and inserting “Cap-  
15           ital”.

16           (24) DISPOSITION OF OBSOLETE OR CON-  
17           DEMNED PROPERTY.—In section 711, by striking  
18           “District of Columbia” and inserting “Capital”.

19           (25) DISPOSITION OF PROCEEDS OF CON-  
20           DEMNED STORES ISSUED TO NATIONAL GUARD.—In  
21           paragraph (1) of section 712, by striking “District  
22           of Columbia” and inserting “Capital”.

23           (26) PROPERTY LOSS; PERSONAL INJURY OR  
24           DEATH.—In section 715(c), by striking “District of  
25           Columbia” and inserting “Capital”.

1 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

2 (1) CAPITAL DEFINED.—

3 (A) IN GENERAL.—Section 101 of title 32,  
4 United States Code, is amended by adding at  
5 the end the following new paragraph:

6 “(20) ‘Capital’ means the area serving as the  
7 seat of the Government of the United States, as de-  
8 scribed in section 112 of the Washington, D.C. Ad-  
9 mission Act.”.

10 (B) WITH REGARDS TO HOMELAND DE-  
11 FENSE ACTIVITIES.—Section 901 of title 32,  
12 United States Code, is amended—

13 (i) in paragraph (2), by striking “Dis-  
14 trict of Columbia” and inserting “Capital”;  
15 and

16 (ii) by adding at the end the following  
17 new paragraph:

18 “(3) The term ‘Governor’ means, with respect  
19 to the Capital, the commanding general of the Cap-  
20 ital National Guard.”.

21 (2) TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE.—Title 10,  
22 United States Code, is amended as follows:

23 (A) DEFINITIONS.—In section 101—

24 (i) in subsection (a), by adding at the  
25 end the following new paragraph:

1           “(21) The term ‘Capital’ means the area serv-  
2           ing as the seat of the Government of the United  
3           States, as described in section 112 of the Wash-  
4           ington, D.C. Admission Act.”;

5                   (ii) in paragraphs (2) and (4) of sub-  
6                   section (c), by striking “District of Colum-  
7                   bia” both places it appears and inserting  
8                   “Capital”; and

9                   (iii) in subsection (d)(5), by striking  
10                  “District of Columbia” and inserting  
11                  “Capital”.

12                (B) DISPOSITION ON DISCHARGE.—In sec-  
13                tion 771a(c), by striking “District of Columbia”  
14                and inserting “Capital”.

15                (C) TRICARE COVERAGE FOR CERTAIN  
16                MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL GUARD AND DE-  
17                PENDENTS DURING CERTAIN DISASTER RE-  
18                SPONSE DUTY.—In section 1076f—

19                   (i) in subsections (a) and (c)(1), by  
20                   striking “with respect to the District of  
21                   Columbia, the mayor of the District of Co-  
22                   lumbia” both places it appears and insert-  
23                   ing “with respect to the Capital, the com-  
24                   manding general of the Capital National  
25                   Guard”; and

1 (ii) in subsection (c)(2), by striking  
2 “District of Columbia” and inserting  
3 “Capital”.

4 (D) PAYMENT OF CLAIMS: AVAILABILITY  
5 OF APPROPRIATIONS.—In paragraph (2)(B) of  
6 section 2732, by striking “District of Colum-  
7 bia” and inserting “Capital”.

8 (E) MEMBERS OF ARMY NATIONAL GUARD:  
9 DETAIL AS STUDENTS, OBSERVERS, AND INVES-  
10 TIGATORS AT EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, IN-  
11 DUSTRIAL PLANTS, AND HOSPITALS.—In sec-  
12 tion 7401(c), by striking “District of Colum-  
13 bia” and inserting “Capital”.

14 (F) MEMBERS OF AIR NATIONAL GUARD:  
15 DETAIL AS STUDENTS, OBSERVERS, AND INVES-  
16 TIGATORS AT EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, IN-  
17 DUSTRIAL PLANTS, AND HOSPITALS.—In sec-  
18 tion 9401(c), by striking “District of Colum-  
19 bia” and inserting “Capital”.

20 (G) READY RESERVE: FAILURE TO SATIS-  
21 FACTORILY PERFORM PRESCRIBED TRAINING.—  
22 In section 10148(b)—

23 (i) by striking “District of Columbia,”  
24 and inserting “Capital,”; and

1                   (ii) by striking “District of Columbia  
2                   National Guard” and inserting “Capital  
3                   National Guard”.

4                   (H) CHIEF OF THE NATIONAL GUARD BU-  
5                   REAU.—In section 10502(a)(1)—

6                   (i) by striking “District of Columbia,”  
7                   and inserting “Capital,”; and

8                   (ii) by striking “District of Columbia  
9                   National Guard” and inserting “Capital  
10                  National Guard”.

11                  (I) VICE CHIEF OF THE NATIONAL GUARD  
12                  BUREAU.—In section 10505(a)(1)(A)—

13                  (i) by striking “District of Columbia,”  
14                  and inserting “Capital,”; and

15                  (ii) by striking “District of Columbia  
16                  National Guard” and inserting “Capital  
17                  National Guard”.

18                  (J) OTHER SENIOR NATIONAL GUARD BU-  
19                  REAU OFFICERS.—In subparagraphs (A) and  
20                  (B) of section 10506(a)(1)—

21                  (i) by striking “District of Columbia,”  
22                  both places it appears and inserting “Cap-  
23                  ital,”; and

1 (ii) by striking “District of Columbia  
2 National Guard” both places it appears  
3 and inserting “Capital National Guard”.

4 (K) NATIONAL GUARD BUREAU: GENERAL  
5 PROVISIONS.—In section 10508(b)(1), by strik-  
6 ing “District of Columbia” and inserting “Cap-  
7 ital”.

8 (L) COMMISSIONED OFFICERS: ORIGINAL  
9 APPOINTMENT; LIMITATION.—In section  
10 12204(b), by striking “District of Columbia”  
11 and inserting “Capital”.

12 (M) RESERVE COMPONENTS GEN-  
13 ERALLY.—In section 12301(b), by striking  
14 “District of Columbia National Guard” both  
15 places it appears and inserting “Capital Na-  
16 tional Guard”.

17 (N) NATIONAL GUARD IN FEDERAL SERV-  
18 ICE: CALL.—In section 12406—

19 (i) by striking “District of Columbia,”  
20 and inserting “Capital,”; and

21 (ii) by striking “National Guard of  
22 the District of Columbia” and inserting  
23 “Capital National Guard”.

24 (O) RESULT OF FAILURE TO COMPLY  
25 WITH STANDARDS AND QUALIFICATIONS.—In



1 section 12642(c), by striking “District of Co-  
2 lumbia” and inserting “Capital”.

3 (P) LIMITATION ON RELOCATION OF NA-  
4 TIONAL GUARD UNITS.—In section 18238—

5 (i) by striking “District of Columbia,”  
6 and inserting “Capital,”; and

7 (ii) by striking “National Guard of  
8 the District of Columbia” and inserting  
9 “Capital National Guard”.

10 **SEC. 116. TERMINATION OF LEGAL STATUS OF SEAT OF**  
11 **GOVERNMENT OF UNITED STATES AS MUNIC-**  
12 **IPAL CORPORATION.**

13 Notwithstanding section 2 of the Revised Statutes re-  
14 lating to the District of Columbia (sec. 1–102, D.C. Offi-  
15 cial Code) or any other provision of law codified in sub-  
16 chapter I of chapter 1 of the District of Columbia Official  
17 Code, effective upon the date of the admission of the State  
18 into the Union, the Capital (or any portion thereof) shall  
19 not serve as a government and shall not be a body cor-  
20 porate for municipal purposes.

21 **Subtitle C—General Provisions**  
22 **Relating to Laws of State**

23 **SEC. 121. EFFECT OF ADMISSION ON CURRENT LAWS.**

24 (a) LEGISLATIVE POWER.—The legislative power of  
25 the State shall extend to all rightful subjects of legislation

1 in the State, consistent with the Constitution of the  
2 United States (including the restrictions and limitations  
3 imposed upon the States by article I, section 10) and sub-  
4 ject to the provisions of this Act.

5 (b) CONTINUATION OF AUTHORITY AND DUTIES OF  
6 MEMBERS OF EXECUTIVE, LEGISLATIVE, AND JUDICIAL  
7 OFFICES.—Upon the admission of the State into the  
8 Union, members of executive, legislative, and judicial of-  
9 fices of the District of Columbia shall be deemed members  
10 of the respective executive, legislative, and judicial offices  
11 of the State, as provided by the State Constitution and  
12 the laws of the State.

13 (c) TREATMENT OF FEDERAL LAWS.—To the extent  
14 that any law of the United States applies to the States  
15 generally, the law shall have the same force and effect in  
16 the State as elsewhere in the United States, except as such  
17 law may otherwise provide.

18 (d) NO EFFECT ON EXISTING CONTRACTS.—Nothing  
19 in the admission of the State into the Union shall affect  
20 any obligation under any contract or agreement under  
21 which the District of Columbia or the United States is  
22 a party, as in effect on the day before the date of the  
23 admission of the State into the Union.

24 (e) SUCCESSION IN INTERSTATE COMPACTS.—The  
25 State shall be deemed to be the successor to the District

1 of Columbia for purposes of any interstate compact which  
2 is in effect on the day before the date of the admission  
3 of the State into the Union.

4 (f) CONTINUATION OF SERVICE OF FEDERAL MEM-  
5 BERS ON BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.—Nothing in the ad-  
6 mission of the State into the Union shall affect the author-  
7 ity of a representative of the Federal Government who,  
8 as of the day before the date of the admission of the State  
9 into the Union, is a member of a board or commission  
10 of the District of Columbia to serve as a member of such  
11 board or commission or as a member of a successor to  
12 such board or commission after the admission of the State  
13 into the Union, as may be provided by the State Constitu-  
14 tion and the laws of the State.

15 (g) SPECIAL RULE REGARDING ENFORCEMENT AU-  
16 THORITY OF UNITED STATES CAPITOL POLICE, UNITED  
17 STATES PARK POLICE, AND UNITED STATES SECRET  
18 SERVICE UNIFORMED DIVISION.—The United States  
19 Capitol Police, the United States Park Police, and the  
20 United States Secret Service Uniformed Division may not  
21 enforce any law of the State in the State, except to the  
22 extent authorized by the State. Nothing in this subsection  
23 may be construed to affect the authority of the United  
24 States Capitol Police, the United States Park Police, and

1 the United States Secret Service Uniformed Division to  
2 enforce any law in the Capital.

3 **SEC. 122. PENDING ACTIONS AND PROCEEDINGS.**

4 (a) STATE AS LEGAL SUCCESSOR TO DISTRICT OF  
5 COLUMBIA.—The State shall be the legal successor to the  
6 District of Columbia in all matters.

7 (b) NO EFFECT ON PENDING PROCEEDINGS.—All  
8 existing writs, actions, suits, judicial and administrative  
9 proceedings, civil or criminal liabilities, prosecutions, judg-  
10 ments, sentences, orders, decrees, appeals, causes of ac-  
11 tion, claims, demands, titles, and rights shall continue un-  
12 affected by the admission of the State into the Union with  
13 respect to the State or the United States, except as may  
14 be provided under this Act, as may be modified in accord-  
15 ance with the provisions of the State Constitution, and  
16 as may be modified by the laws of the State or the United  
17 States, as the case may be.

18 **SEC. 123. LIMITATION ON AUTHORITY TO TAX FEDERAL**  
19 **PROPERTY.**

20 The State may not impose any tax on any real or  
21 personal property owned or acquired by the United States,  
22 except to the extent that Congress may permit.

23 **SEC. 124. UNITED STATES NATIONALITY.**

24 No provision of this Act shall operate to confer  
25 United States nationality, to terminate nationality lawfully

1 acquired, or to restore nationality terminated or lost under  
 2 any law of the United States or under any treaty to which  
 3 the United States is or was a party.

4 **TITLE II—INTERESTS OF**  
 5 **FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**  
 6 **Subtitle A—Federal Property**

7 **SEC. 201. TREATMENT OF MILITARY LANDS.**

8 (a) RESERVATION OF FEDERAL AUTHORITY.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2)  
 10 and subsection (b) and notwithstanding the admis-  
 11 sion of the State into the Union, authority is re-  
 12 served in the United States for the exercise by Con-  
 13 gress of the power of exclusive legislation in all cases  
 14 whatsoever over such tracts or parcels of land lo-  
 15 cated in the State that, on the day before the date  
 16 of the admission of the State into the Union, are  
 17 controlled or owned by the United States and held  
 18 for defense or Coast Guard purposes.

19 (2) LIMITATION ON AUTHORITY.—The power of  
 20 exclusive legislation described in paragraph (1) shall  
 21 vest and remain in the United States only so long  
 22 as the particular tract or parcel of land involved is  
 23 controlled or owned by the United States and held  
 24 for defense or Coast Guard purposes.

25 (b) AUTHORITY OF STATE.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—The reservation of authority  
2           in the United States under subsection (a) shall not  
3           operate to prevent such tracts or parcels of land  
4           from being a part of the State, or to prevent the  
5           State from exercising over or upon such lands, con-  
6           currently with the United States, any jurisdiction  
7           which it would have in the absence of such reserva-  
8           tion of authority and which is consistent with the  
9           laws hereafter enacted by Congress pursuant to such  
10          reservation of authority.

11          (2) SERVICE OF PROCESS.—The State shall  
12          have the right to serve civil or criminal process in  
13          such tracts or parcels of land in which the authority  
14          of the United States is reserved under subsection (a)  
15          in suits or prosecutions for or on account of rights  
16          acquired, obligations incurred, or crimes committed  
17          in the State but outside of such lands.

18 **SEC. 202. WAIVER OF CLAIMS TO FEDERAL PROPERTY.**

19          (a) IN GENERAL.—As a compact with the United  
20          States, the State and its people disclaim all right and title  
21          to any real or personal property not granted or confirmed  
22          to the State by or under the authority of this Act, the  
23          right or title to which is held by the United States or sub-  
24          ject to disposition by the United States.

25          (b) EFFECT ON CLAIMS AGAINST UNITED STATES.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this Act shall  
 2 recognize, deny, enlarge, impair, or otherwise affect  
 3 any claim against the United States, and any such  
 4 claim shall be governed by applicable laws of the  
 5 United States.

6           (2) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this  
 7 Act is intended or shall be construed as a finding,  
 8 interpretation, or construction by Congress that any  
 9 applicable law authorizes, establishes, recognizes, or  
 10 confirms the validity or invalidity of any claim re-  
 11 ferred to in paragraph (1), and the determination of  
 12 the applicability to or the effect of any law on any  
 13 such claim shall be unaffected by anything in this  
 14 Act.

## 15           **Subtitle B—Federal Courts**

### 16   **SEC. 211. RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN FED-** 17           **ERAL OFFICIALS.**

18           (a) CIRCUIT JUDGES.—Section 44(c) of title 28,  
 19 United States Code, is amended—

20           (1) by striking “Except in the District of Co-  
 21 lumbia, each” and inserting “Each”; and

22           (2) by striking “within fifty miles of the Dis-  
 23 trict of Columbia” and inserting “within fifty miles  
 24 of the Capital”.

1 (b) DISTRICT JUDGES.—Section 134(b) of such title  
2 is amended in the first sentence by striking “the District  
3 of Columbia, the Southern District of New York, and” and  
4 inserting “the Southern District of New York and”.

5 (c) UNITED STATES ATTORNEYS.—Section 545(a) of  
6 such title is amended by striking the first sentence and  
7 inserting “Each United States attorney shall reside in the  
8 district for which he or she is appointed, except that those  
9 officers of the Southern District of New York and the  
10 Eastern District of New York may reside within 20 miles  
11 thereof.”.

12 (d) UNITED STATES MARSHALS.—Section 561(e)(1)  
13 of such title is amended to read as follows:

14 “(1) the marshal for the Southern District of  
15 New York may reside within 20 miles of the district;  
16 and”.

17 (e) CLERKS OF DISTRICT COURTS.—Section 751(c)  
18 of such title is amended by striking “the District of Co-  
19 lumbia and”.

20 (f) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
21 this section shall apply only to individuals appointed after  
22 the date of the admission of the State into the Union.

23 **SEC. 212. RENAMING OF FEDERAL COURTS.**

24 (a) RENAMING.—



1 (1) CIRCUIT COURT.—Section 41 of title 28,  
2 United States Code, is amended—

3 (A) in the first column, by striking “Dis-  
4 trict of Columbia” and inserting “Capital”; and

5 (B) in the second column, by striking  
6 “District of Columbia” and inserting “Capital;  
7 Washington, Douglass Commonwealth”.

8 (2) DISTRICT COURT.—Section 88 of such title  
9 is amended—

10 (A) in the heading, by striking “**District**  
11 **of Columbia**” and inserting “**Washington,**  
12 **Douglass Commonwealth and the**  
13 **Capital**”;

14 (B) by amending the first paragraph to  
15 read as follows:

16 “The State of Washington, Douglass Common-  
17 wealth and the Capital comprise one judicial dis-  
18 trict.”; and

19 (C) in the second paragraph, by striking  
20 “Washington” and inserting “the Capital”.

21 (3) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The item relating  
22 to section 88 in the table of sections for chapter 5  
23 of such title is amended to read as follows:

“88. Washington, Douglass Commonwealth and the Capital.”.

1 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS RELATING TO  
2 COURT OF APPEALS.—Title 28, United States Code, is  
3 amended as follows:

4 (1) APPOINTMENT OF JUDGES.—Section 44(a)  
5 of such title is amended in the first column by strik-  
6 ing “District of Columbia” and inserting “Capital”.

7 (2) TERMS OF COURT.—Section 48(a) of such  
8 title is amended—

9 (A) in the first column, by striking “Dis-  
10 trict of Columbia” and inserting “Capital”;

11 (B) in the second column, by striking  
12 “Washington” and inserting “Capital”; and

13 (C) in the second column, by striking  
14 “District of Columbia” and inserting “Capital”.

15 (3) APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT COUNSELS  
16 BY CHIEF JUDGE OF CIRCUIT.—Section 49 of such  
17 title is amended by striking “District of Columbia”  
18 each place it appears and inserting “Capital”.

19 (4) CIRCUIT COURT JURISDICTION OVER CER-  
20 TIFICATION OF DEATH PENALTY COUNSELS.—Sec-  
21 tion 2265(c)(2) of such title is amended by striking  
22 “the District of Columbia Circuit” and inserting  
23 “the Capital Circuit”.

24 (5) CIRCUIT COURT JURISDICTION OVER RE-  
25 VIEW OF FEDERAL AGENCY ORDERS.—Section 2343

1 of such title is amended by striking “the District of  
2 Columbia Circuit” and inserting “the Capital Cir-  
3 cuit”.

4 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS RELATING TO DIS-  
5 TRICT COURT.—Title 28, United States Code, is amended  
6 as follows:

7 (1) APPOINTMENT AND NUMBER OF DISTRICT  
8 COURT JUDGES.—Section 133(a) of such title is  
9 amended in the first column by striking “District of  
10 Columbia” and inserting “Washington, Douglass  
11 Commonwealth and the Capital”.

12 (2) DISTRICT COURT JURISDICTION OF TAX  
13 CASES BROUGHT AGAINST UNITED STATES.—Section  
14 1346(e) of such title is amended by striking “the  
15 District of Columbia” and inserting “Washington,  
16 Douglass Commonwealth and the Capital”.

17 (3) DISTRICT COURT JURISDICTION OVER PRO-  
18 CEEDINGS FOR FORFEITURE OF FOREIGN PROP-  
19 erty.—Section 1355(b)(2) of such title is amended  
20 by striking “the District of Columbia” and inserting  
21 “Washington, Douglass Commonwealth and the  
22 Capital”.

23 (4) DISTRICT COURT JURISDICTION OVER CIVIL  
24 ACTIONS BROUGHT AGAINST A FOREIGN STATE.—  
25 Section 1391(f)(4) of such title is amended by strik-

1       ing “the District of Columbia” and inserting “Wash-  
2       ington, Douglass Commonwealth and the Capital”.

3               (5) DISTRICT COURT JURISDICTION OVER AC-  
4       TIONS BROUGHT BY CORPORATIONS AGAINST  
5       UNITED STATES.—Section 1402(a)(2) of such title is  
6       amended by striking “the District of Columbia” and  
7       inserting “Washington, Douglass Commonwealth  
8       and the Capital”.

9               (6) VENUE IN DISTRICT COURT OF CERTAIN AC-  
10      TIONS BROUGHT BY EMPLOYEES OF EXECUTIVE OF-  
11      FICE OF THE PRESIDENT.—Section 1413 of such  
12      title is amended by striking “the District of Colum-  
13      bia” and inserting “Washington, Douglass Common-  
14      wealth and the Capital”.

15              (7) VENUE IN DISTRICT COURT OF ACTION EN-  
16      FORCING FOREIGN JUDGMENT.—Section  
17      2467(c)(2)(B) of such title is amended by striking  
18      “the District of Columbia” and inserting “Wash-  
19      ington, Douglass Commonwealth and the Capital”.

20              (d) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS RELATING TO  
21      OTHER COURTS.—Title 28, United States Code, is  
22      amended as follows:

23              (1) APPOINTMENT OF BANKRUPTCY JUDGES.—  
24      Section 152(a)(2) of such title is amended in the  
25      first column by striking “District of Columbia” and

1 inserting “Washington, Douglass Commonwealth  
2 and the Capital”.

3 (2) LOCATION OF COURT OF FEDERAL  
4 CLAIMS.—Section 173 of such title is amended by  
5 striking “the District of Columbia” and inserting  
6 “the Capital”.

7 (3) DUTY STATION OF JUDGES OF COURT OF  
8 FEDERAL CLAIMS.—Section 175 of such title is  
9 amended by striking “the District of Columbia”  
10 each place it appears and inserting “the Capital”.

11 (4) DUTY STATION OF JUDGES FOR PURPOSES  
12 OF TRAVELING EXPENSES.—Section 456(b) of such  
13 title is amended to read as follows:

14 “(b) The official duty station of the Chief Justice of  
15 the United States, the Justices of the Supreme Court of  
16 the United States, and the judges of the United States  
17 Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit shall be the Cap-  
18 ital.”.

19 (5) COURT ACCOMMODATIONS FOR FEDERAL  
20 CIRCUIT AND COURT OF FEDERAL CLAIMS.—Section  
21 462(d) of such title is amended by striking “the Dis-  
22 trict of Columbia” and inserting “the Capital”.

23 (6) PLACES OF HOLDING COURT OF COURT OF  
24 FEDERAL CLAIMS.—Section 798(a) of such title is  
25 amended—

1 (A) by striking “Washington, District of  
2 Columbia” and inserting “the Capital”; and

3 (B) by striking “the District of Columbia”  
4 and inserting “the Capital”.

5 (e) OTHER CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

6 (1) SERVICE OF PROCESS ON FOREIGN PARTIES  
7 AT STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICE.—Section  
8 1608(a)(4) of such title is amended by striking  
9 “Washington, District of Columbia” and inserting  
10 “the Capital”.

11 (2) SERVICE OF PROCESS IN PROPERTY CASES  
12 AT ATTORNEY GENERAL OFFICE.—Section 2410(b)  
13 of such title is amended by striking “Washington,  
14 District of Columbia” and inserting “the Capital”.

15 (f) DEFINITION.—Section 451 of title 28, United  
16 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
17 lowing new undesignated paragraph:

18 “The term ‘Capital’ means the area serving as the  
19 seat of the Government of the United States, as described  
20 in section 112 of the Washington, D.C. Admission Act.”.

21 (g) REFERENCES IN OTHER LAWS.—Any reference  
22 in any Federal law (other than a law amended by this  
23 section), rule, or regulation—

1           (1) to the United States Court of Appeals for  
 2           the District of Columbia shall be deemed to refer to  
 3           the United States Court of Appeals for the Capital;

4           (2) to the District of Columbia Circuit shall be  
 5           deemed to refer to the Capital Circuit; and

6           (3) to the United States District Court for the  
 7           District of Columbia shall be deemed to refer to the  
 8           United States District Court for Washington, Doug-  
 9           lass Commonwealth and the Capital.

10          (h) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section and the amend-  
 11          ments made by this section shall take effect upon the ad-  
 12          mission of the State into the Union.

13       **SEC. 213. CONFORMING AMENDMENTS RELATING TO DE-**  
 14                               **PARTMENT OF JUSTICE.**

15          (a) APPOINTMENT OF UNITED STATES TRUSTEES.—  
 16          Section 581(a)(4) of title 28, United States Code, is  
 17          amended by striking “the District of Columbia” and in-  
 18          serting “the Capital and Washington, Douglass Common-  
 19          wealth”.

20          (b) INDEPENDENT COUNSELS.—

21               (1) APPOINTMENT OF ADDITIONAL PER-  
 22          SONNEL.—Section 594(c) of such title is amended—

23                       (A) by striking “the District of Columbia”  
 24                       the first place it appears and inserting “Wash-

1           ington, Douglass Commonwealth and the Cap-  
2           ital”; and

3                   (B) by striking “the District of Columbia”  
4           the second place it appears and inserting  
5           “Washington, Douglass Commonwealth”.

6           (2) JUDICIAL REVIEW OF REMOVAL.—Section  
7           596(a)(3) of such title is amended by striking “the  
8           District of Columbia” and inserting “Washington,  
9           Douglass Commonwealth and the Capital”.

10          (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
11 this section shall take effect upon the admission of the  
12 State into the Union.

13 **SEC. 214. TREATMENT OF PRETRIAL SERVICES IN UNITED**  
14 **STATES DISTRICT COURT.**

15          Section 3152 of title 18, United States Code, is  
16 amended—

17           (1) in subsection (a), by striking “(other than  
18          the District of Columbia)” and inserting “(subject to  
19          subsection (d), other than the District of Colum-  
20          bia)”; and

21           (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
22          section:

23          “(d) In the case of the judicial district of Washington,  
24 Douglass Commonwealth and the Capital—



1           “(1) upon the admission of the State of Wash-  
 2           ington, Douglass Commonwealth into the Union, the  
 3           Washington, Douglass Commonwealth Pretrial Serv-  
 4           ices Agency shall continue to provide pretrial serv-  
 5           ices in the judicial district in the same manner and  
 6           to the same extent as the District of Columbia Pre-  
 7           trial Services Agency provided such services in the  
 8           judicial district of the District of Columbia as of the  
 9           day before the date of the admission of the State  
 10          into the Union; and

11          “(2) upon the receipt by the President of the  
 12          certification from the State of Washington, Douglass  
 13          Commonwealth under section 315(b)(4) of the  
 14          Washington, D.C. Admission Act that the State has  
 15          in effect laws providing for the State to provide pre-  
 16          trial services, paragraph (1) shall no longer apply,  
 17          and the Director shall provide for the establishment  
 18          of pretrial services in the judicial district under this  
 19          section.”.

## 20           **Subtitle C—Federal Elections**

### 21   **SEC. 221. PERMITTING INDIVIDUALS RESIDING IN CAPITAL** 22                           **TO VOTE IN FEDERAL ELECTIONS IN STATE** 23                           **OF MOST RECENT DOMICILE.**

24           (a) REQUIREMENT FOR STATES TO PERMIT INDIVID-  
 25   UALS TO VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOT.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—Each State shall—

2 (A) permit absent Capital voters to use ab-  
3 sentee registration procedures and to vote by  
4 absentee ballot in general, special, primary, and  
5 runoff elections for Federal office; and

6 (B) accept and process, with respect to any  
7 general, special, primary, or runoff election for  
8 Federal office, any otherwise valid voter reg-  
9 istration application from an absent Capital  
10 voter, if the application is received by the ap-  
11 propriate State election official not less than 30  
12 days before the election.

13 (2) ABSENT CAPITAL VOTER DEFINED.—In this  
14 section, the term “absent Capital voter” means, with  
15 respect to a State, a person who resides in the Cap-  
16 ital and is qualified to vote in the State (or who  
17 would be qualified to vote in the State but for resid-  
18 ing in the Capital), but only if the State is the last  
19 place in which the person was domiciled before resid-  
20 ing in the Capital.

21 (3) STATE DEFINED.—In this section, the term  
22 “State” means each of the several States, including  
23 the State.

24 (b) RECOMMENDATIONS TO STATES TO MAXIMIZE  
25 ACCESS TO POLLS BY ABSENT CAPITAL VOTERS.—To af-

1 ford maximum access to the polls by absent Capital voters,  
 2 it is the sense of Congress that the States should—

3 (1) waive registration requirements for absent  
 4 Capital voters who, by reason of residence in the  
 5 Capital, do not have an opportunity to register;

6 (2) expedite processing of balloting materials  
 7 with respect to such individuals; and

8 (3) assure that absentee ballots are mailed to  
 9 such individuals at the earliest opportunity.

10 (c) ENFORCEMENT.—The Attorney General may  
 11 bring a civil action in the appropriate district court of the  
 12 United States for such declaratory or injunctive relief as  
 13 may be necessary to carry out this section.

14 (d) EFFECT ON CERTAIN OTHER LAWS.—The exer-  
 15 cise of any right under this section shall not affect, for  
 16 purposes of a Federal tax, a State tax, or a local tax, the  
 17 residence or domicile of a person exercising such right.

18 (e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall take effect  
 19 upon the date of the admission of the State into the  
 20 Union, and shall apply with respect to elections for Fed-  
 21 eral office taking place on or after such date.

22 **SEC. 222. REPEAL OF OFFICE OF DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**  
 23 **DELEGATE.**

24 (a) IN GENERAL.—Sections 202 and 204 of the Dis-  
 25 trict of Columbia Delegate Act (Public Law 91–405; sec-

1 tions 1–401 and 1–402, D.C. Official Code) are repealed,  
 2 and the provisions of law amended or repealed by such  
 3 sections are restored or revived as if such sections had  
 4 not been enacted.

5 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS TO DISTRICT OF CO-  
 6 LUMBIA ELECTIONS CODE OF 1955.—The District of Co-  
 7 lumbia Elections Code of 1955 is amended—

8 (1) in section 1 (sec. 1–1001.01, D.C. Official  
 9 Code), by striking “the Delegate to the House of  
 10 Representatives,”;

11 (2) in section 2 (sec. 1–1001.02, D.C. Official  
 12 Code)—

13 (A) by striking paragraph (6);

14 (B) in paragraph (12), by striking “(except  
 15 the Delegate to Congress for the District of Co-  
 16 lumbia)”;

17 (C) in paragraph (13), by striking “the  
 18 Delegate to Congress for the District of Colum-  
 19 bia,”;

20 (3) in section 8 (sec. 1–1001.08, D.C. Official  
 21 Code)—

22 (A) by striking “Delegate,” in the heading;  
 23 and

1 (B) by striking “Delegate,” each place it  
 2 appears in subsections (d), (h)(1)(A), (h)(2),  
 3 (i)(1), (j)(1), (j)(3), and (k)(3);  
 4 (4) in section 10 (sec. 1–1001.10, D.C. Official  
 5 Code)—

6 (A) by striking subparagraph (A) of sub-  
 7 section (a)(3); and

8 (B) in subsection (d)—

9 (i) by striking “Delegate,” each place  
 10 it appears in paragraph (1); and

11 (ii) by striking paragraph (2) and re-  
 12 designating paragraph (3) as paragraph  
 13 (2);

14 (5) in section 11(a)(2) (sec. 1–1001.11(a)(2),  
 15 D.C. Official Code), by striking “Delegate to the  
 16 House of Representatives,”;

17 (6) in section 15(b) (sec. 1–1001.15(b), D.C.  
 18 Official Code), by striking “Delegate,”; and

19 (7) in section 17(a) (sec. 1–1001.17(a), D.C.  
 20 Official Code), by striking “except the Delegate to  
 21 the Congress from the District of Columbia”.

22 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
 23 this section shall take effect upon the admission of the  
 24 State into the Union.

1 **SEC. 223. REPEAL OF LAW PROVIDING FOR PARTICIPATION**  
 2 **OF SEAT OF GOVERNMENT IN ELECTION OF**  
 3 **PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 21 of title 3, United  
 5 States Code, is amended—

6 (1) by striking paragraph (2);

7 (2) by redesignating paragraph (3) as para-  
 8 graph (2); and

9 (3) in paragraph (2), as so redesignated, by  
 10 striking “(or, in the case of the District of Colum-  
 11 bia, the Mayor of the District of Columbia)”.

12 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
 13 subsection (a) shall take effect upon the date of the admis-  
 14 sion of the State into the Union, and shall apply to any  
 15 election of the President and Vice President taking place  
 16 on or after such date.

17 **SEC. 224. EXPEDITED PROCEDURES FOR CONSIDERATION**  
 18 **OF CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT REPEAL-**  
 19 **ING 23RD AMENDMENT.**

20 (a) JOINT RESOLUTION DESCRIBED.—In this sec-  
 21 tion, the term “joint resolution” means a joint resolu-  
 22 tion—

23 (1) entitled “A joint resolution proposing an  
 24 amendment to the Constitution of the United States  
 25 to repeal the 23rd article of amendment”; and

1           (2) the matter after the resolving clause of  
2           which consists solely of text to amend the Constitu-  
3           tion of the United States to repeal the 23rd article  
4           of amendment to the Constitution.

5           (b) EXPEDITED CONSIDERATION IN HOUSE OF REP-  
6           RESENTATIVES.—

7           (1) PLACEMENT ON CALENDAR.—Upon intro-  
8           duction in the House of Representatives, the joint  
9           resolution shall be placed immediately on the appro-  
10          priate calendar.

11          (2) PROCEEDING TO CONSIDERATION.—

12           (A) IN GENERAL.—It shall be in order, not  
13           later than 30 legislative days after the date the  
14           joint resolution is introduced in the House of  
15           Representatives, to move to proceed to consider  
16           the joint resolution in the House of Representa-  
17           tives.

18           (B) PROCEDURE.—For a motion to pro-  
19           ceed to consider the joint resolution—

20           (i) all points of order against the mo-  
21           tion are waived;

22           (ii) such a motion shall not be in  
23           order after the House of Representatives  
24           has disposed of a motion to proceed on the  
25           joint resolution;

1 (iii) the previous question shall be  
2 considered as ordered on the motion to its  
3 adoption without intervening motion;

4 (iv) the motion shall not be debatable;  
5 and

6 (v) a motion to reconsider the vote by  
7 which the motion is disposed of shall not  
8 be in order.

9 (3) CONSIDERATION.—When the House of Rep-  
10 resentatives proceeds to consideration of the joint  
11 resolution—

12 (A) the joint resolution shall be considered  
13 as read;

14 (B) all points of order against the joint  
15 resolution and against its consideration are  
16 waived;

17 (C) the previous question shall be consid-  
18 ered as ordered on the joint resolution to its  
19 passage without intervening motion except 10  
20 hours of debate equally divided and controlled  
21 by the proponent and an opponent;

22 (D) an amendment to the joint resolution  
23 shall not be in order; and



1           (E) a motion to reconsider the vote on pas-  
2           sage of the joint resolution shall not be in  
3           order.

4           (c) EXPEDITED CONSIDERATION IN SENATE.—

5           (1) PLACEMENT ON CALENDAR.—Upon intro-  
6           duction in the Senate, the joint resolution shall be  
7           placed immediately on the calendar.

8           (2) PROCEEDING TO CONSIDERATION.—

9           (A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding rule  
10          XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, it is  
11          in order, not later than 30 legislative days after  
12          the date the joint resolution is introduced in the  
13          Senate (even though a previous motion to the  
14          same effect has been disagreed to) to move to  
15          proceed to the consideration of the joint resolu-  
16          tion.

17          (B) PROCEDURE.—For a motion to pro-  
18          ceed to the consideration of the joint resolu-  
19          tion—

20                  (i) all points of order against the mo-  
21                  tion are waived;

22                  (ii) the motion is not debatable;

23                  (iii) the motion is not subject to a mo-  
24                  tion to postpone;

1 (iv) a motion to reconsider the vote by  
2 which the motion is agreed to or disagreed  
3 to shall not be in order; and

4 (v) if the motion is agreed to, the  
5 joint resolution shall remain the unfinished  
6 business until disposed of.

7 (3) FLOOR CONSIDERATION.—

8 (A) IN GENERAL.—If the Senate proceeds  
9 to consideration of the joint resolution—

10 (i) all points of order against the joint  
11 resolution (and against consideration of  
12 the joint resolution) are waived;

13 (ii) consideration of the joint resolu-  
14 tion, and all debatable motions and appeals  
15 in connection therewith, shall be limited to  
16 not more than 30 hours, which shall be di-  
17 vided equally between the majority and mi-  
18 nority leaders or their designees;

19 (iii) a motion further to limit debate  
20 is in order and not debatable;

21 (iv) an amendment to, a motion to  
22 postpone, or a motion to commit the joint  
23 resolution is not in order; and

24 (v) a motion to proceed to the consid-  
25 eration of other business is not in order.

1 (B) VOTE ON PASSAGE.—In the Senate the  
 2 vote on passage shall occur immediately fol-  
 3 lowing the conclusion of the consideration of the  
 4 joint resolution, and a single quorum call at the  
 5 conclusion of the debate if requested in accord-  
 6 ance with the rules of the Senate.

7 (C) RULINGS OF THE CHAIR ON PROCE-  
 8 DURE.—Appeals from the decisions of the Chair  
 9 relating to the application of this subsection or  
 10 the rules of the Senate, as the case may be, to  
 11 the procedure relating to the joint resolution  
 12 shall be decided without debate.

13 (d) RULES RELATING TO SENATE AND HOUSE OF  
 14 REPRESENTATIVES.—

15 (1) COORDINATION WITH ACTION BY OTHER  
 16 HOUSE.—If, before the passage by one House of the  
 17 joint resolution of that House, that House receives  
 18 from the other House the joint resolution—

19 (A) the joint resolution of the other House  
 20 shall not be referred to a committee; and

21 (B) with respect to the joint resolution of  
 22 the House receiving the resolution—

23 (i) the procedure in that House shall  
 24 be the same as if no joint resolution had  
 25 been received from the other House; and

1 (ii) the vote on passage shall be on  
2 the joint resolution of the other House.

3 (2) TREATMENT OF JOINT RESOLUTION OF  
4 OTHER HOUSE.—If one House fails to introduce or  
5 consider the joint resolution under this section, the  
6 joint resolution of the other House shall be entitled  
7 to expedited floor procedures under this section.

8 (3) TREATMENT OF COMPANION MEASURES.—  
9 If, following passage of the joint resolution in the  
10 Senate, the Senate receives the companion measure  
11 from the House of Representatives, the companion  
12 measure shall not be debatable.

13 (e) RULES OF HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND  
14 SENATE.—This section is enacted by Congress—

15 (1) as an exercise of the rulemaking power of  
16 the Senate and House of Representatives, respec-  
17 tively, and as such is deemed a part of the rules of  
18 each House, respectively, but applicable only with re-  
19 spect to the procedure to be followed in that House  
20 in the case of the joint resolution, and supersede  
21 other rules only to the extent that it is inconsistent  
22 with such rules; and

23 (2) with full recognition of the constitutional  
24 right of either House to change the rules (so far as  
25 relating to the procedure of that House) at any time,

1 in the same manner, and to the same extent as in  
 2 the case of any other rule of that House.

3 **TITLE III—CONTINUATION OF**  
 4 **CERTAIN AUTHORITIES AND**  
 5 **RESPONSIBILITIES**

6 **Subtitle A—Employee Benefits**

7 **SEC. 301. FEDERAL BENEFIT PAYMENTS UNDER CERTAIN**  
 8 **RETIREMENT PROGRAMS.**

9 (a) CONTINUATION OF ENTITLEMENT TO PAY-  
 10 MENTS.—Any individual who, as of the day before the date  
 11 of the admission of the State into the Union, is entitled  
 12 to a Federal benefit payment under the District of Colum-  
 13 bia Retirement Protection Act of 1997 (subtitle A of title  
 14 XI of the National Capital Revitalization and Self-Govern-  
 15 ment Improvement Act of 1997; sec. 1–801.01 et seq.,  
 16 D.C. Official Code) shall continue to be entitled to such  
 17 a payment after the admission of the State into the Union,  
 18 in the same manner, to the same extent, and subject to  
 19 the same terms and conditions applicable under such Act.

20 (b) OBLIGATIONS OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—Any obligation of the Fed-  
 22 eral Government under the District of Columbia Re-  
 23 tirement Protection Act of 1997 which exists with  
 24 respect to any individual or with respect to the Dis-  
 25 trict of Columbia as of the day before the date of

1 the admission of the State into the Union shall re-  
2 main in effect with respect to such an individual and  
3 with respect to the State after the admission of the  
4 State into the Union, in the same manner, to the  
5 same extent, and subject to the same terms and con-  
6 ditions applicable under such Act.

7 (2) D.C. FEDERAL PENSION FUND.—Any obli-  
8 gation of the Federal Government under chapter 9  
9 of the District of Columbia Retirement Protection  
10 Act of 1997 (sec. 1–817.01 et seq., D.C. Official  
11 Code) with respect to the D.C. Federal Pension  
12 Fund which exists as of the day before the date of  
13 the admission of the State into the Union shall re-  
14 main in effect with respect to such Fund after the  
15 admission of the State into the Union, in the same  
16 manner, to the same extent, and subject to the same  
17 terms and conditions applicable under such chapter.

18 (c) OBLIGATIONS OF STATE.—Any obligation of the  
19 District of Columbia under the District of Columbia Re-  
20 tirement Protection Act of 1997 which exists with respect  
21 to any individual or with respect to the Federal Govern-  
22 ment as of the day before the date of the admission of  
23 the State into the Union shall become an obligation of the  
24 State with respect to such an individual and with respect  
25 to the Federal Government after the admission of the

1 State into the Union, in the same manner, to the same  
 2 extent, and subject to the same terms and conditions ap-  
 3 plicable under such Act.

4 **SEC. 302. CONTINUATION OF FEDERAL CIVIL SERVICE BEN-**  
 5 **EFITS FOR EMPLOYEES FIRST EMPLOYED**  
 6 **PRIOR TO ESTABLISHMENT OF DISTRICT OF**  
 7 **COLUMBIA MERIT PERSONNEL SYSTEM.**

8 (a) OBLIGATIONS OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.—Any  
 9 obligation of the Federal Government under title 5, United  
 10 States Code, which exists with respect to an individual de-  
 11 scribed in subsection (c) or with respect to the District  
 12 of Columbia as of the day before the date of the admission  
 13 of the State into the Union shall remain in effect with  
 14 respect to such individual and with respect to the State  
 15 after the admission of the State into the Union, in the  
 16 same manner, to the same extent, and subject to the same  
 17 terms and conditions applicable under such title.

18 (b) OBLIGATIONS OF STATE.—Any obligation of the  
 19 District of Columbia under title 5, United States Code,  
 20 which exists with respect to an individual described in sub-  
 21 section (c) or with respect to the Federal Government as  
 22 of the day before the date of the admission of the State  
 23 into the Union shall become an obligation of the State with  
 24 respect to such individual and with respect to the Federal  
 25 Government after the admission of the State into the

1 Union, in the same manner, to the same extent, and sub-  
 2 ject to the same terms and conditions applicable under  
 3 such title.

4 (c) INDIVIDUALS DESCRIBED.—An individual de-  
 5 scribed in this subsection is an individual who was first  
 6 employed by the government of the District of Columbia  
 7 before October 1, 1987.

8 **SEC. 303. OBLIGATIONS OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT UNDER**  
 9 **JUDGES' RETIREMENT PROGRAM.**

10 (a) CONTINUATION OF OBLIGATIONS.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—Any obligation of the Fed-  
 12 eral Government under subchapter III of chapter 15  
 13 of title 11, District of Columbia Official Code—

14 (A) which exists with respect to any indi-  
 15 vidual and the District of Columbia as the re-  
 16 sult of service accrued prior to the date of the  
 17 admission of the State into the Union shall re-  
 18 main in effect with respect to such an indi-  
 19 vidual and with respect to the State after the  
 20 admission of the State into the Union, in the  
 21 same manner, to the same extent, and subject  
 22 to the same terms and conditions applicable  
 23 under such subchapter; and

24 (B) subject to paragraph (2), shall exist  
 25 with respect to any individual and the State as



1 the result of service accrued after the date of  
 2 the admission of the State into the Union in the  
 3 same manner, to the same extent, and subject  
 4 to the same terms and conditions applicable  
 5 under such subchapter as such obligation ex-  
 6 isted with respect to individuals and the Dis-  
 7 trict of Columbia as of the date of the admis-  
 8 sion of the State into the Union.

9 (2) TREATMENT OF SERVICE ACCRUED AFTER  
 10 TAKING EFFECT OF STATE RETIREMENT PRO-  
 11 GRAM.—Subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1) does  
 12 not apply to service accrued on or after the termi-  
 13 nation date described in subsection (b).

14 (b) TERMINATION DATE.—The termination date de-  
 15 scribed in this subsection is the date on which the State  
 16 provides written certification to the President that the  
 17 State has in effect laws requiring the State to appropriate  
 18 and make available funds for the retirement of judges of  
 19 the State.

## 20 **Subtitle B—Agencies**

### 21 **SEC. 311. PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICE.**

22 (a) CONTINUATION OF OPERATIONS AND FUND-  
 23 ING.—

24 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-  
 25 graph (2) and subsection (b), title III of the District

1 of Columbia Court Reform and Criminal Procedure  
2 Act of 1970 (sec. 2–1601 et seq., D.C. Official  
3 Code) shall apply with respect to the State and to  
4 the public defender service of the State after the  
5 date of the admission of the State into the Union in  
6 the same manner and to the same extent as such  
7 title applied with respect to the District of Columbia  
8 and the District of Columbia Public Defender Serv-  
9 ice as of the day before the date of the admission  
10 of the State into the Union.

11 (2) RESPONSIBILITY FOR EMPLOYER CON-  
12 TRIBUTION.—For purposes of paragraph (2) of sec-  
13 tion 305(c) of such Act (sec. 2–1605(c)(2), D.C. Of-  
14 ficial Code), the Federal Government shall be treat-  
15 ed as the employing agency with respect to the bene-  
16 fits provided under such section to an individual who  
17 is an employee of the public defender service of the  
18 State and who, pursuant to section 305(c) of such  
19 Act (sec. 2–1605(c), D.C. Official Code), is treated  
20 as an employee of the Federal Government for pur-  
21 poses of receiving benefits under any chapter of sub-  
22 part G of part III of title 5, United States Code.

23 (b) RENAMING OF SERVICE.—Effective upon the date  
24 of the admission of the State into the Union, the State  
25 may rename the public defender service of the State.

1       (c) CONTINUATION OF FEDERAL BENEFITS FOR EM-  
2 PLOYEES.—

3           (1) IN GENERAL.—Any individual who is an  
4 employee of the public defender service of the State  
5 as of the day before the date described in subsection  
6 (d) and who, pursuant to section 305(c) of the Dis-  
7 trict of Columbia Court Reform and Criminal Proce-  
8 dure Act of 1970 (sec. 2–1605(c), D.C. Official  
9 Code), is treated as an employee of the Federal Gov-  
10 ernment for purposes of receiving benefits under any  
11 chapter of subpart G of part III of title 5, United  
12 States Code, shall continue to be treated as an em-  
13 ployee of the Federal Government for such purposes,  
14 notwithstanding the termination of the provisions of  
15 subsection (a) under subsection (d).

16           (2) RESPONSIBILITY FOR EMPLOYER CON-  
17 TRIBUTION.—Beginning on the date described in  
18 subsection (d), the State shall be treated as the em-  
19 ploying agency with respect to the benefits described  
20 in paragraph (1) which are provided to an individual  
21 who, for purposes of receiving such benefits, is con-  
22 tinued to be treated as an employee of the Federal  
23 Government under such paragraph.

24           (d) TERMINATION.—Subsection (a) shall terminate  
25 upon the date on which the State provides written certifi-

1 cation to the President that the State has in effect laws  
 2 requiring the State to appropriate and make available  
 3 funds for the operation of the office of the State which  
 4 provides the services described in title III of the District  
 5 of Columbia Court Reform and Criminal Procedure Act  
 6 of 1970 (sec. 2-1601 et seq., D.C. Official Code).

7 **SEC. 312. PROSECUTIONS.**

8 (a) ASSIGNMENT OF ASSISTANT UNITED STATES AT-  
 9 TORNEYS.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—In accordance with sub-  
 11 chapter VI of chapter 33 of title 5, United States  
 12 Code, the Attorney General, with the concurrence of  
 13 the District of Columbia or the State (as the case  
 14 may be), shall provide for the assignment of assist-  
 15 ant United States attorneys to the State to carry  
 16 out the functions described in subsection (b).

17 (2) ASSIGNMENTS MADE ON DETAIL WITHOUT  
 18 REIMBURSEMENT BY STATE.—In accordance with  
 19 section 3373 of title 5, United States Code—

20 (A) an assistant United States attorney  
 21 who is assigned to the State under this section  
 22 shall be deemed under subsection (a) of such  
 23 section to be on detail to a regular work assign-  
 24 ment in the Department of Justice; and

1 (B) the assignment of an assistant United  
2 States attorney to the State under this section  
3 shall be made without reimbursement by the  
4 State of the pay of the attorney or any related  
5 expenses.

6 (b) FUNCTIONS DESCRIBED.—The functions de-  
7 scribed in this subsection are criminal prosecutions con-  
8 ducted in the name of the State which would have been  
9 conducted in the name of the United States by the United  
10 States attorney for the District of Columbia or his or her  
11 assistants, as provided under section 23–101(c), District  
12 of Columbia Official Code, but for the admission of the  
13 State into the Union.

14 (c) MINIMUM NUMBER ASSIGNED.—The number of  
15 assistant United States attorneys who are assigned under  
16 this section may not be less than the number of assistant  
17 United States attorneys whose principal duties as of the  
18 day before the date of the admission of the State into the  
19 Union were to conduct criminal prosecutions in the name  
20 of the United States under section 23–101(c), District of  
21 Columbia Official Code.

22 (d) TERMINATION.—The obligation of the Attorney  
23 General to provide for the assignment of assistant United  
24 States attorneys under this section shall terminate upon  
25 written certification by the State to the President that the

1 State has appointed attorneys of the State to carry out  
2 the functions described in subsection (b).

3 (e) CLARIFICATION REGARDING CLEMENCY AU-  
4 THORITY.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Effective upon the admission  
6 of the State into the Union, the authority to grant  
7 clemency for offenses against the District of Colum-  
8 bia or the State shall be exercised by such person or  
9 persons, and under such terms and conditions, as  
10 provided by the State Constitution and the laws of  
11 the State, without regard to whether the prosecution  
12 for the offense was conducted by the District of Co-  
13 lumbia, the State, or the United States.

14 (2) DEFINITION.—In this subsection, the term  
15 “clemency” means a pardon, reprieve, or commuta-  
16 tion of sentence, or a remission of a fine or other  
17 financial penalty.

18 **SEC. 313. SERVICE OF UNITED STATES MARSHALS.**

19 (a) PROVISION OF SERVICES FOR COURTS OF  
20 STATE.—The United States Marshals Service shall pro-  
21 vide services with respect to the courts and court system  
22 of the State in the same manner and to the same extent  
23 as the Service provided services with respect to the courts  
24 and court system of the District of Columbia as of the  
25 day before the date of the admission of the State into the

1 Union, except that the President shall not appoint a  
 2 United States Marshal under section 561 of title 28,  
 3 United States Code, for any court of the State.

4 (b) TERMINATION.—The obligation of the United  
 5 States Marshals Service to provide services under this sec-  
 6 tion shall terminate upon written certification by the State  
 7 to the President that the State has appointed personnel  
 8 of the State to provide such services.

9 **SEC. 314. DESIGNATION OF FELONS TO FACILITIES OF BU-**  
 10 **REAU OF PRISONS.**

11 (a) CONTINUATION OF DESIGNATION.—Chapter 1 of  
 12 subtitle C of title XI of the National Capital Revitalization  
 13 and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997 (sec. 24–  
 14 101 et seq., D.C. Official Code) and the amendments  
 15 made by such chapter—

16 (1) shall continue to apply with respect to indi-  
 17 viduals convicted of offenses under the laws of the  
 18 District of Columbia prior to the date of the admis-  
 19 sion of the State into the Union; and

20 (2) shall apply with respect to individuals con-  
 21 victed of offenses under the laws of the State after  
 22 the date of the admission of the State into the  
 23 Union in the same manner and to the same extent  
 24 as such chapter and amendments applied with re-  
 25 spect to individuals convicted of offenses under the

1 laws of the District of Columbia prior to the date of  
2 the admission of the State into the Union.

3 (b) TERMINATION.—The provisions of this section  
4 shall terminate upon written certification by the State to  
5 the President that the State has in effect laws for the  
6 housing of individuals described in subsection (a) in cor-  
7 rectional facilities.

8 **SEC. 315. PAROLE AND SUPERVISION.**

9 (a) UNITED STATES PAROLE COMMISSION.—

10 (1) PAROLE.—The United States Parole Com-  
11 mission—

12 (A) shall continue to exercise the authority  
13 to grant, deny, and revoke parole, and to im-  
14 pose conditions upon an order of parole, in the  
15 case of any individual who is an imprisoned  
16 felon who is eligible for parole or reparole under  
17 the laws of the District of Columbia as of the  
18 day before the date of the admission of the  
19 State into the Union, as provided under section  
20 11231 of the National Capital Revitalization  
21 and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997  
22 (sec. 24–131, D.C. Official Code); and

23 (B) shall exercise the authority to grant,  
24 deny, and revoke parole, and to impose condi-  
25 tions upon an order of parole, in the case of



1 any individual who is an imprisoned felon who  
2 is eligible for parole or reparole under the laws  
3 of the State in the same manner and to the  
4 same extent as the Commission exercised in the  
5 case of any individual described in subpara-  
6 graph (A).

7 (2) SUPERVISION OF RELEASED OFFENDERS.—

8 The United States Parole Commission—

9 (A) shall continue to exercise the authority  
10 over individuals who are released offenders of  
11 the District of Columbia as of the day before  
12 the date of the admission of the State into the  
13 Union, as provided under section 11233(c)(2)  
14 of the National Capital Revitalization and Self-  
15 Government Improvement Act of 1997 (sec.  
16 24–133(c)(2), D.C. Official Code); and

17 (B) shall exercise authority over individ-  
18 uals who are released offenders of the State in  
19 the same manner and to the same extent as the  
20 Commission exercised authority over individuals  
21 described in subparagraph (A).

22 (3) CONTINUATION OF FEDERAL BENEFITS FOR  
23 EMPLOYEES.—

24 (A) CONTINUATION.—Any individual who  
25 is an employee of the United States Parole

1 Commission as of the later of the day before  
2 the date described in subparagraph (A) of para-  
3 graph (4) or the day before the date described  
4 in subparagraph (B) of paragraph (4) and who,  
5 on or after such date, is an employee of the of-  
6 fice of the State which exercises the authority  
7 described in either such subparagraph, shall  
8 continue to be treated as an employee of the  
9 Federal Government for purposes of receiving  
10 benefits under any chapter of subpart G of part  
11 III of title 5, United States Code, notwith-  
12 standing the termination of the provisions of  
13 this subsection under paragraph (4).

14 (B) RESPONSIBILITY FOR EMPLOYER CON-  
15 TRIBUTION.—Beginning on the later of the date  
16 described in subparagraph (A) of paragraph (4)  
17 or the date described in subparagraph (B) of  
18 paragraph (4), the State shall be treated as the  
19 employing agency with respect to the benefits  
20 described in subparagraph (A) which are pro-  
21 vided to an individual who, for purposes of re-  
22 ceiving such benefits, is continued to be treated  
23 as an employee of the Federal Government  
24 under such subparagraph.

1           (4) TERMINATION.—The provisions of this sub-  
2       section shall terminate—

3           (A) in the case of paragraph (1), on the  
4       date on which the State provides written certifi-  
5       cation to the President that the State has in ef-  
6       fect laws providing for the State to exercise the  
7       authority to grant, deny, and revoke parole, and  
8       to impose conditions upon an order of parole, in  
9       the case of any individual who is an imprisoned  
10      felon who is eligible for parole or reparole under  
11      the laws of the State; and

12          (B) in the case of paragraph (2), on the  
13      date on which the State provides written certifi-  
14      cation to the President that the State has in ef-  
15      fect laws providing for the State to exercise au-  
16      thority over individuals who are released offend-  
17      ers of the State.

18      (b) COURT SERVICES AND OFFENDER SUPERVISION  
19      AGENCY.—

20          (1) RENAMING.—Effective upon the date of the  
21      admission of the State into the Union—

22          (A) the Court Services and Offender Su-  
23      pervision Agency for the District of Columbia  
24      shall be known and designated as the Court  
25      Services and Offender Supervision Agency for

1 Washington, Douglass Commonwealth, and any  
2 reference in any law, rule, or regulation to the  
3 Court Services and Offender Supervision Agen-  
4 cy for the District of Columbia shall be deemed  
5 to refer to the Court Services and Offender Su-  
6 pervision Agency for Washington, Douglass  
7 Commonwealth; and

8 (B) the District of Columbia Pretrial Serv-  
9 ices Agency shall be known and designated as  
10 the Washington, Douglass Commonwealth Pre-  
11 trial Services Agency, and any reference in any  
12 law, rule or regulation to the District of Colum-  
13 bia Pretrial Services Agency shall be deemed to  
14 refer to the Washington, Douglass Common-  
15 wealth Pretrial Services Agency.

16 (2) IN GENERAL.—The Court Services and Of-  
17 fender Supervision Agency for Washington, Doug-  
18 lass Commonwealth, including the Washington,  
19 Douglass Commonwealth Pretrial Services Agency  
20 (as renamed under paragraph (1))—

21 (A) shall continue to provide pretrial serv-  
22 ices with respect to individuals who are charged  
23 with an offense in the District of Columbia,  
24 provide supervision for individuals who are of-  
25 fenders on probation, parole, and supervised re-

1           lease pursuant to the laws of the District of Co-  
2           lumbia, and carry out sex offender registration  
3           functions with respect to individuals who are  
4           sex offenders in the District of Columbia, as of  
5           the day before the date of the admission of the  
6           State into the Union, as provided under section  
7           11233 of the National Capital Revitalization  
8           and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997  
9           (sec. 24–133, D.C. Official Code); and

10           (B) shall provide pretrial services with re-  
11           spect to individuals who are charged with an of-  
12           fense in the State, provide supervision for of-  
13           fenders on probation, parole, and supervised re-  
14           lease pursuant to the laws of the State, and  
15           carry out sex offender registration functions in  
16           the State, in the same manner and to the same  
17           extent as the Agency provided such services and  
18           supervision and carried out such functions for  
19           individuals described in subparagraph (A).

20           (3) CONTINUATION OF FEDERAL BENEFITS FOR  
21           EMPLOYEES.—

22           (A) CONTINUATION.—Any individual who  
23           is an employee of the Court Services and Of-  
24           fender Supervision Agency for Washington,  
25           Douglass Commonwealth as of the day before

1 the date described in paragraph (4), and who,  
2 on or after such date, is an employee of the of-  
3 fice of the State which provides the services and  
4 carries out the functions described in paragraph  
5 (4), shall continue to be treated as an employee  
6 of the Federal Government for purposes of re-  
7 ceiving benefits under any chapter of subpart G  
8 of part III of title 5, United States Code, not-  
9 withstanding the termination of the provisions  
10 of paragraph (2) under paragraph (4).

11 (B) RESPONSIBILITY FOR EMPLOYER CON-  
12 TRIBUTION.—Beginning on the date described  
13 in paragraph (4), the State shall be treated as  
14 the employing agency with respect to the bene-  
15 fits described in subparagraph (A) which are  
16 provided to an individual who, for purposes of  
17 receiving such benefits, is continued to be treat-  
18 ed as an employee of the Federal Government  
19 under such subparagraph.

20 (4) TERMINATION.—Paragraph (2) shall termi-  
21 nate on the date on which the State provides written  
22 certification to the President that the State has in  
23 effect laws providing for the State to provide pretrial  
24 services, supervise offenders on probation, parole,

1 and supervised release, and carry out sex offender  
2 registration functions in the State.

3 **SEC. 316. COURTS.**

4 (a) CONTINUATION OF OPERATIONS.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-  
6 graphs (2) and (3) and subsection (b), title 11, Dis-  
7 trict of Columbia Official Code, as in effect on the  
8 day before the date of the admission of the State  
9 into the Union, shall apply with respect to the State  
10 and the courts and court system of the State after  
11 the date of the admission of the State into the  
12 Union in the same manner and to the same extent  
13 as such title applied with respect to the District of  
14 Columbia and the courts and court system of the  
15 District of Columbia as of the day before the date  
16 of the admission of the State into the Union.

17 (2) RESPONSIBILITY FOR EMPLOYER CON-  
18 TRIBUTION.—For purposes of paragraph (2) of sec-  
19 tion 11–1726(b) and paragraph (2) of section 11–  
20 1726(c), District of Columbia Official Code, the  
21 Federal Government shall be treated as the employ-  
22 ing agency with respect to the benefits provided  
23 under such section to an individual who is an em-  
24 ployee of the courts and court system of the State  
25 and who, pursuant to either such paragraph, is

1 treated as an employee of the Federal Government  
2 for purposes of receiving benefits under any chapter  
3 of subpart G of part III of title 5, United States  
4 Code.

5 (3) OTHER EXCEPTIONS.—

6 (A) SELECTION OF JUDGES.—Effective  
7 upon the date of the admission of the State into  
8 the Union, the State shall select judges for any  
9 vacancy on the courts of the State.

10 (B) RENAMING OF COURTS AND OTHER  
11 OFFICES.—Effective upon the date of the ad-  
12 mission of the State into the Union, the State  
13 may rename any of its courts and any of the  
14 other offices of its court system.

15 (C) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing  
16 in this paragraph shall be construed—

- 17 (i) to affect the service of any judge  
18 serving on a court of the District of Co-  
19 lumbia on the day before the date of the  
20 admission of the State into the Union, or  
21 to require the State to select such a judge  
22 for a vacancy on a court of the State; or  
23 (ii) to waive any of the requirements  
24 of chapter 15 of title 11, District of Co-  
25 lumbia Official Code (other than section



1 11–1501(a) of such Code), including sub-  
2 chapter II of such chapter (relating to the  
3 District of Columbia Commission on Judi-  
4 cial Disabilities and Tenure), with respect  
5 to the appointment and service of judges of  
6 the courts of the State.

7 (b) CONTINUATION OF FEDERAL BENEFITS FOR EM-  
8 PLOYEES.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—Any individual who is an  
10 employee of the courts or court system of the State  
11 as of the day before the date described in subsection  
12 (e) and who, pursuant to section 11–1726(b) or sec-  
13 tion 11–1726(c), District of Columbia Official Code,  
14 is treated as an employee of the Federal Government  
15 for purposes of receiving benefits under any chapter  
16 of subpart G of part III of title 5, United States  
17 Code, shall continue to be treated as an employee of  
18 the Federal Government for such purposes, notwith-  
19 standing the termination of the provisions of this  
20 section under subsection (e).

21 (2) RESPONSIBILITY FOR EMPLOYER CON-  
22 TRIBUTION.—Beginning on the date described in  
23 subsection (e), the State shall be treated as the em-  
24 ploying agency with respect to the benefits described  
25 in paragraph (1) which are provided to an individual

1       who, for purposes of receiving such benefits, is con-  
2       tinued to be treated as an employee of the Federal  
3       Government under such paragraph.

4       (c) CONTINUATION OF FUNDING.—Section 11241 of  
5       the National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government  
6       Improvement Act of 1997 (section 11–1743 note, District  
7       of Columbia Official Code) shall apply with respect to the  
8       State and the courts and court system of the State after  
9       the date of the admission of the State into the Union in  
10      the same manner and to the same extent as such section  
11      applied with respect to the Joint Committee on Judicial  
12      Administration in the District of Columbia and the courts  
13      and court system of the District of Columbia as of the  
14      day before the date of the admission of the State into the  
15      Union.

16      (d) TREATMENT OF COURT RECEIPTS.—

17           (1) DEPOSIT OF RECEIPTS INTO TREASURY.—

18      Except as provided in paragraph (2), all money re-  
19      ceived by the courts and court system of the State  
20      shall be deposited in the Treasury of the United  
21      States.

22           (2) CRIME VICTIMS COMPENSATION FUND.—

23      Section 16 of the Victims of Violent Crime Com-  
24      pensation Act of 1996 (sec. 4–515, D.C. Official  
25      Code), relating to the Crime Victims Compensation

1 Fund, shall apply with respect to the courts and  
 2 court system of the State in the same manner and  
 3 to the same extent as such section applied to the  
 4 courts and court system of the District of Columbia  
 5 as of the day before the date of the admission of the  
 6 State into the Union.

7 (e) TERMINATION.—The provisions of this section,  
 8 other than paragraph (3) of subsection (a) and except as  
 9 provided under subsection (b), shall terminate on the date  
 10 on which the State provides written certification to the  
 11 President that the State has in effect laws requiring the  
 12 State to appropriate and make available funds for the op-  
 13 eration of the courts and court system of the State.

## 14 **Subtitle C—Other Programs and** 15 **Authorities**

### 16 **SEC. 321. APPLICATION OF THE COLLEGE ACCESS ACT.**

17 (a) CONTINUATION.—The District of Columbia Col-  
 18 lege Access Act of 1999 (Public Law 106–98; sec. 38–  
 19 2701 et seq., D.C. Official Code) shall apply with respect  
 20 to the State, and to the public institution of higher edu-  
 21 cation designated by the State as the successor to the Uni-  
 22 versity of the District of Columbia, after the date of the  
 23 admission of the State into the Union in the same manner  
 24 and to the same extent as such Act applied with respect  
 25 to the District of Columbia and the University of the Dis-

1 triet of Columbia as of the day before the date of the ad-  
 2 mission of the State into the Union.

3 (b) TERMINATION.—The provisions of this section,  
 4 other than with respect to the public institution of higher  
 5 education designated by the State as the successor to the  
 6 University of the District of Columbia, shall terminate  
 7 upon written certification by the State to the President  
 8 that the State has in effect laws requiring the State to  
 9 provide tuition assistance substantially similar to the as-  
 10 sistance provided under the District of Columbia College  
 11 Access Act of 1999.

12 **SEC. 322. APPLICATION OF THE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR OP-**  
 13 **PORTUNITY AND RESULTS ACT.**

14 (a) CONTINUATION.—The Scholarships for Oppor-  
 15 tunity and Results Act (division C of Public Law 112–  
 16 10; sec. 38–1853.01 et seq., D.C. Official Code) shall  
 17 apply with respect to the State after the date of the admis-  
 18 sion of the State into the Union in the same manner and  
 19 to the same extent as such Act applied with respect to  
 20 the District of Columbia as of the day before the date of  
 21 the admission of the State into the Union.

22 (b) TERMINATION.—The provisions of this section  
 23 shall terminate upon written certification by the State to  
 24 the President that the State has in effect laws requiring  
 25 the State—

1           (1) to provide tuition assistance substantially  
2           similar to the assistance provided under the Scholar-  
3           ships for Opportunity and Results Act; and

4           (2) to provide supplemental funds to the public  
5           schools and public charter schools of the State in the  
6           amounts provided in the most recent fiscal year for  
7           public schools and public charter schools of the State  
8           or the District of Columbia (as the case may be)  
9           under such Act.

10 **SEC. 323. MEDICAID FEDERAL MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PER-**  
11 **CENTAGE.**

12       (a) CONTINUATION.—Notwithstanding section  
13 1905(b) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396d(b)),  
14 during the period beginning on the date of the admission  
15 of the State into the Union and ending on September 30  
16 of the fiscal year during which the State submits the cer-  
17 tification described in subsection (b), the Federal medical  
18 assistance percentage for the State under title XIX of  
19 such Act shall be the Federal medical assistance percent-  
20 age for the District of Columbia under such title as of  
21 the day before the date of the admission of the State into  
22 the Union.

23       (b) TERMINATION.—The certification described in  
24 this subsection is a written certification by the State to  
25 the President that, during each of the first 5 fiscal years

1 beginning after the date of the certification, the estimated  
2 revenues of the State will be sufficient to cover any reduc-  
3 tion in revenues which may result from the termination  
4 of the provisions of this section.

5 **SEC. 324. FEDERAL PLANNING COMMISSIONS.**

6 (a) NATIONAL CAPITAL PLANNING COMMISSION.—

7 (1) CONTINUING APPLICATION.—Subject to the  
8 amendments made by paragraphs (2) and (3), upon  
9 the admission of the State into the Union, chapter  
10 87 of title 40, United States Code, shall apply as  
11 follows:

12 (A) Such chapter shall apply with respect  
13 to the Capital in the same manner and to the  
14 same extent as such chapter applied with re-  
15 spect to the District of Columbia as of the day  
16 before the date of the admission of the State  
17 into the Union.

18 (B) Such chapter shall apply with respect  
19 to the State in the same manner and to the  
20 same extent as such chapter applied with re-  
21 spect to the State of Maryland and the Com-  
22 monwealth of Virginia as of the day before the  
23 date of the admission of the State into the  
24 Union.

1           (2) COMPOSITION OF NATIONAL CAPITAL PLAN-  
2           NING COMMISSION.—Section 8711(b) of title 40,  
3           United States Code, is amended—

4                   (A) by amending subparagraph (B) of  
5           paragraph (1) to read as follows:

6                   “(B) four citizens with experience in city  
7           or regional planning, who shall be appointed by  
8           the President.”; and

9                   (B) by amending paragraph (2) to read as  
10          follows:

11                  “(2) RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT.—Of the four  
12          citizen members, one shall be a resident of Virginia,  
13          one shall be a resident of Maryland, and one shall  
14          be a resident of Washington, Douglass Common-  
15          wealth.”.

16           (3) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS TO DEFINI-  
17          TIONS OF TERMS.—

18                   (A) ENVIRONS.—Paragraph (1) of section  
19          8702 of such title is amended by striking “the  
20          territory surrounding the District of Columbia”  
21          and inserting “the territory surrounding the  
22          National Capital”.

23                   (B) NATIONAL CAPITAL.—Paragraph (2)  
24          of section 8702 of such title is amended to read  
25          as follows:

1           “(2) NATIONAL CAPITAL.—The term ‘National  
2       Capital’ means the area serving as the seat of the  
3       Government of the United States, as described in  
4       section 112 of the Washington, D.C. Admission Act,  
5       and the territory the Federal Government owns in  
6       the environs.”.

7           (C) NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION.—Sub-  
8       paragraph (A) of paragraph (3) of section 8702  
9       of such title is amended to read as follows:

10           “(A) the National Capital and the State of  
11       Washington, Douglass Commonwealth;”.

12       (b) COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS.—

13           (1) LIMITING APPLICATION TO THE CAPITAL.—  
14       Section 9102(a)(1) of title 40, United States Code,  
15       is amended by striking “the District of Columbia”  
16       and inserting “the Capital”.

17           (2) DEFINITION.—Section 9102 of such title is  
18       amended by adding at the end the following new  
19       subsection:

20       “(d) DEFINITION.—In this chapter, the term ‘Cap-  
21       ital’ means the area serving as the seat of the Government  
22       of the United States, as described in section 112 of the  
23       Washington, D.C. Admission Act.”.



1           (3) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section  
2       9101(d) of such title is amended by striking “the  
3       District of Columbia” and inserting “the Capital”.

4       (c) COMMEMORATIVE WORKS ACT.—

5           (1) LIMITING APPLICATION TO CAPITAL.—Sec-  
6       tion 8902 of title 40, United States Code, is amend-  
7       ed by adding at the end the following new sub-  
8       section:

9       “(c) LIMITING APPLICATION TO CAPITAL.—This  
10      chapter applies only with respect to commemorative works  
11      in the Capital and its environs.”.

12           (2) DEFINITION.—Paragraph (2) of section  
13      8902(a) of such title is amended to read as follows:

14           “(2) CAPITAL AND ITS ENVIRONS.—The term  
15      ‘Capital and its environs’ means—

16           “(A) the area serving as the seat of the  
17           Government of the United States, as described  
18           in section 112 of the Washington, D.C. Admis-  
19           sion Act; and

20           “(B) those lands and properties adminis-  
21           tered by the National Park Service and the  
22           General Services Administration located in the  
23           Reserve, Area I, and Area II as depicted on the  
24           map entitled ‘Commemorative Areas Wash-  
25           ington, DC and Environs’, numbered 869/

1           86501 B, and dated June 24, 2003, that are lo-  
 2           cated outside of the State of Washington,  
 3           Douglass Commonwealth.”.

4           (3) TEMPORARY SITE DESIGNATION.—Section  
 5           8907(a) of such title is amended by striking “the  
 6           District of Columbia” and inserting “the Capital  
 7           and its environs”.

8           (4) GENERAL CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—  
 9           Chapter 89 of such title is amended by striking “the  
 10          District of Columbia and its environs” each place it  
 11          appears in the following sections and inserting “the  
 12          Capital and its environs”:

13                   (A) Section 8901(2) and 8901(4).

14                   (B) Section 8902(a)(4).

15                   (C) Section 8903(d).

16                   (D) Section 8904(c).

17                   (E) Section 8905(a).

18                   (F) Section 8906(a).

19                   (G) Section 8909(a) and 8909(b).

20           (5) ADDITIONAL CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—  
 21           Section 8901(2) of such title is amended by striking  
 22           “the urban fabric of the District of Columbia” and  
 23           inserting “the urban fabric of the area serving as  
 24           the seat of the Government of the United States, as

1 described in section 112 of the Washington, D.C.  
2 Admission Act”.

3 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section and the amend-  
4 ments made by this section shall take effect on the date  
5 of the admission of the State into the Union.

6 **SEC. 325. ROLE OF ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS IN SUP-**  
7 **PLYING WATER.**

8 (a) CONTINUATION OF ROLE.—Chapter 95 of title  
9 40, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end  
10 the following new section:

11 **“§ 9508. Applicability to Capital and State of Wash-**  
12 **ington, Douglass Commonwealth**

13 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Effective upon the admission of  
14 the State of Washington, Douglass Commonwealth into  
15 the Union, any reference in this chapter to the District  
16 of Columbia shall be deemed to refer to the Capital or  
17 the State of Washington, Douglass Commonwealth, as the  
18 case may be.

19 “(b) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term ‘Capital’  
20 means the area serving as the seat of the Government of  
21 the United States, as described in section 112 of the  
22 Washington, D.C. Admission Act.”.

23 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections  
24 of chapter 95 of such title is amended by adding at the  
25 end the following:

“9508. Applicability to Capital and State of Washington, Douglass Commonwealth.”.

1 **SEC. 326. REQUIREMENTS TO BE LOCATED IN DISTRICT OF**  
2 **COLUMBIA.**

3 The location of any person in the Capital or Wash-  
4 ington, Douglass Commonwealth on the day after the date  
5 of the admission of the State into the Union shall be  
6 deemed to satisfy any requirement under any law in effect  
7 as of the day before the date of the admission of the State  
8 into the Union that the person be located in the District  
9 of Columbia, including the requirements of section 72 of  
10 title 4, United States Code (relating to offices of the seat  
11 of the Government of the United States), and title 36,  
12 United States Code (relating to patriotic and national or-  
13 ganizations).

14 **TITLE IV—GENERAL**  
15 **PROVISIONS**

16 **SEC. 401. GENERAL DEFINITIONS.**

17 In this Act, the following definitions shall apply:

18 (1) The term “Capital” means the area serving  
19 as the seat of the Government of the United States,  
20 as described in section 112.

21 (2) The term “Council” means the Council of  
22 the District of Columbia.

23 (3) The term “Mayor” means the Mayor of the  
24 District of Columbia.

1           (4) Except as otherwise provided, the term  
 2       “State” means the State of Washington, Douglass  
 3       Commonwealth.

4           (5) The term “State Constitution” means the  
 5       proposed Constitution of the State of Washington,  
 6       DC, as approved by the Council on October 18,  
 7       2016, pursuant to the Constitution and Boundaries  
 8       for the State of Washington, D.C. Approval Resolu-  
 9       tion of 2016 (D.C. Resolution R21–621), ratified by  
 10      District of Columbia voters in Advisory Referendum  
 11      B approved on November 8, 2016, and certified by  
 12      the District of Columbia Board of Elections on No-  
 13      vember 18, 2016.

14   **SEC. 402. STATEHOOD TRANSITION COMMISSION.**

15       (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established the  
 16      Statehood Transition Commission (hereafter in this sec-  
 17      tion referred to as the “Commission”).

18       (b) COMPOSITION.—

19           (1) IN GENERAL.—The Commission shall be  
 20      composed of 18 members as follows:

21           (A) Three members appointed by the  
 22      President.

23           (B) Two members appointed by the Speak-  
 24      er of the House of Representatives.

1 (C) Two members appointed by the Minor-  
2 ity Leader of the House of Representatives.

3 (D) Two members appointed by the Major-  
4 ity Leader of the Senate.

5 (E) Two members appointed by the Minor-  
6 ity Leader of the Senate.

7 (F) Three members appointed by the  
8 Mayor.

9 (G) Three members appointed by the  
10 Council.

11 (H) The Chief Financial Officer of the  
12 District of Columbia.

13 (2) APPOINTMENT DATE.—

14 (A) IN GENERAL.—The appointments of  
15 the members of the Commission shall be made  
16 not later than 90 days after the date of the en-  
17 actment of this Act.

18 (B) EFFECT OF LACK OF APPOINTMENT  
19 BY APPOINTMENT DATE.—If one or more ap-  
20 pointments under any of the subparagraphs of  
21 paragraph (1) is not made by the appointment  
22 date specified in subparagraph (A), the author-  
23 ity to make such appointment or appointments  
24 shall expire, and the number of members of the  
25 Commission shall be reduced by the number

1 equal to the number of appointments so not  
2 made.

3 (3) TERM OF SERVICE.—Each member shall be  
4 appointed for the life of the Commission.

5 (4) VACANCY.—A vacancy in the Commission  
6 shall be filled in the manner in which the original  
7 appointment was made.

8 (5) NO COMPENSATION.—Members shall serve  
9 without pay, but shall receive travel expenses, in-  
10 cluding per diem in lieu of subsistence, in accord-  
11 ance with applicable provisions under subchapter I  
12 of chapter 57 of title 5, United States Code.

13 (6) CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR.—The Chair and  
14 Vice Chair of the Commission shall be elected by the  
15 members of the Commission—

16 (A) with respect to the Chair, from among  
17 the members described in subparagraphs (A)  
18 through (E) of paragraph (1); and

19 (B) with respect to the Vice Chair, from  
20 among the members described in subparagraphs  
21 (F) and (G) of paragraph (1).

22 (c) STAFF.—

23 (1) DIRECTOR.—The Commission shall have a  
24 Director, who shall be appointed by the Chair.

1           (2) OTHER STAFF.—The Director may appoint  
2           and fix the pay of such additional personnel as the  
3           Director considers appropriate.

4           (3) NON-APPLICABILITY OF CERTAIN CIVIL  
5           SERVICE LAWS.—The Director and staff of the Com-  
6           mission may be appointed without regard to the pro-  
7           visions of title 5, United States Code, governing ap-  
8           pointments in the competitive service, and may be  
9           paid without regard to the provisions of chapter 51  
10          and subchapter III of chapter 53 of that title relat-  
11          ing to classification and General Schedule pay rates,  
12          except that an individual so appointed may not re-  
13          ceive pay in excess of the rate payable for level V  
14          of the Executive Schedule under section 5316 of  
15          such title.

16          (4) EXPERTS AND CONSULTANTS.—The Com-  
17          mission may procure temporary and intermittent  
18          services under section 3109(b) of title 5, United  
19          States Code, at rates for individuals not to exceed  
20          the daily equivalent of the rate payable for level V  
21          of the Executive Schedule under section 5316 of  
22          such title.

23          (d) DUTIES.—The Commission shall advise the Presi-  
24          dent, Congress, the Mayor (or, upon the admission of the  
25          State into the Union, the chief executive officer of the



1 State), and the Council (or, upon the admission of the  
2 State into the Union, the legislature of the State) con-  
3 cerning an orderly transition to statehood for the District  
4 of Columbia or the State (as the case may be) and to a  
5 reduced geographical size of the seat of the Government  
6 of the United States, including with respect to property,  
7 funding, programs, projects, and activities.

8 (e) POWERS.—

9 (1) HEARINGS AND SESSIONS.—The Commis-  
10 sion may, for the purpose of carrying out this Act,  
11 hold hearings, sit and act at times and places, take  
12 testimony, and receive evidence as the Commission  
13 considers appropriate.

14 (2) OBTAINING OFFICIAL DATA.—The Commis-  
15 sion may secure directly from any department or  
16 agency of the United States information necessary  
17 to enable it to carry out this Act. Upon request of  
18 the Chair of the Commission, the head of that de-  
19 partment or agency shall furnish that information to  
20 the Commission.

21 (3) MAILS.—The Commission may use the  
22 United States mails in the same manner and under  
23 the same conditions as other departments and agen-  
24 cies of the United States.

1           (4) ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES.—

2           Upon the request of the Commission, the Adminis-  
3           trator of General Services shall provide to the Com-  
4           mission the administrative support services nec-  
5           essary for the Commission to carry out its respon-  
6           sibilities under this Act.

7           (f) MEETINGS.—

8           (1) IN GENERAL.—The Commission shall meet  
9           at the call of the Chair.

10          (2) INITIAL MEETING.—The Commission shall  
11          hold its first meeting not later than the earlier of—

12                (A) 30 days after the date on which all  
13                members of the Commission have been ap-  
14                pointed; or

15                (B) if the number of members of the Com-  
16                mission is reduced under subsection (b)(2)(B),  
17                90 days after the date of the enactment of this  
18                Act.

19          (3) QUORUM.—A majority of the members of  
20          the Commission shall constitute a quorum, but a  
21          lesser number of members may hold hearings.

22          (g) REPORTS.—The Commission shall submit such  
23          reports as the Commission considers appropriate or as  
24          may be requested by the President, Congress, or the Dis-

1 triet of Columbia (or, upon the admission of the State into  
2 the Union, the State).

3 (h) **TERMINATION.**—The Commission shall cease to  
4 exist 2 years after the date of the admission of the State  
5 into the Union.

6 **SEC. 403. CERTIFICATION OF ENACTMENT BY PRESIDENT.**

7 Not more than 60 days after the date of the enact-  
8 ment of this Act, the President shall provide written cer-  
9 tification of such enactment to the Mayor.

10 **SEC. 404. SEVERABILITY.**

11 Except as provided in section 101(c), if any provision  
12 of this Act or amendment made by this Act, or the applica-  
13 tion thereof to any person or circumstance, is held to be  
14 invalid, the remaining provisions of this Act and any  
15 amendments made by this Act shall not be affected by the  
16 holding.

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