

Union Calendar No. 270

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 5179

[Report No. 119–316]

To amend the District of Columbia Home Rule Act to provide for the appointment of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia by the President, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 8, 2025

Mr. FALLON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

Additional sponsor: Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana

SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italie*]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on September 8, 2025]

A BILL

To amend the District of Columbia Home Rule Act to provide for the appointment of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia by the President, and for other purposes.

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.**

4 *This Act may be cited as the “District of Columbia*
 5 *Attorney General Appointment Reform Act of 2025”.*

6 **SEC. 2. APPOINTMENT OF ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR DIS-**
 7 **TRICT OF COLUMBIA BY PRESIDENT.**

8 *(a) APPOINTMENT.—Part C–i of title IV of the District*
 9 *of Columbia Home Rule Act (sec. 1–204.35, D.C. Official*
 10 *Code) is amended to read as follows:*

11 **“PART C–i—ATTORNEY GENERAL**

12 **“SEC. 435. ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE DISTRICT OF CO-**
 13 **LUMBIA.**

14 *“(a) APPOINTMENT.—The Attorney General for the*
 15 *District of Columbia shall be appointed by the President.*

16 *“(b) SERVICE.—The Attorney General for the District*
 17 *of Columbia shall serve at the pleasure of the President, and*
 18 *the appointment of the Attorney General for the District*
 19 *of Columbia does not require the advice and consent of the*
 20 *Senate.*

21 *“(c) TERM.—The term of office of the Attorney General*
 22 *for the District of Columbia shall coincide with the term*
 23 *of office of the President.*

24 *“(d) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION REGARDING TREAT-*
 25 *MENT OF EMPLOYEES.—Nothing in this section shall be*

1 *construed to treat an employee of the Office of the Attorney*
2 *General for the District of Columbia who is appointed by*
3 *the Attorney General for the District of Columbia as a Fed-*
4 *eral employee for any purpose except as may be specified*
5 *in law.”.*

6 (b) *TERMINATION OF SERVICE OF CURRENT ATTOR-*
7 *NEY GENERAL.—The term of service of the individual serv-*
8 *ing as the Attorney General for the District of Columbia*
9 *on the day before the date of the enactment of this Act shall*
10 *terminate on the date of the enactment of this Act.*

Union Calendar No. 270

119TH CONGRESS
1ST Session

H. R. 5179

[Report No. 119-316]

A BILL

To amend the District of Columbia Home Rule Act to provide for the appointment of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia by the President, and for other purposes.

SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed