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

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. VAN HOLLEN (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. PETERS, Ms. ALSOBROOKS, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BOOKER, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. COONS, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. HICKENLOOPER, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. KAINE, Mr. KIM, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. LUJÁN, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. MURPHY, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. REED, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. SCHIFF, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. SLOTKIN, Ms. SMITH, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WARNOCK, Ms. WARREN, Mr. WELCH, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. WYDEN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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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”.

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

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

TITLE I—STATE OF WASHINGTON, D.C.

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.

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

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

6           (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to the provisions of this  
 7 Act, upon the issuance of the proclamation required by  
 8 section 103(a), the State of Washington, Douglass Com-  
 9 monwealth is declared to be a State of the United States  
 10 of America, and is declared admitted into the Union on

1 an equal footing with the other States in all respects what-  
2 ever.

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

7 (c) NONSEVERABILITY.—If any provision of this sec-  
8 tion, or the application thereof to any person or cir-  
9 cumstance, is held to be invalid, the remaining provisions  
10 of this Act and any amendments made by this Act shall  
11 be treated as invalid.

12 **SEC. 102. ELECTIONS OF SENATORS AND REPRESENTA-**  
13 **TIVE.**

14 (a) ISSUANCE OF PROCLAMATION.—

15 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not more than 30 days after  
16 receiving certification of the enactment of this Act  
17 from the President pursuant to section 403, the  
18 Mayor shall issue a proclamation for the first elec-  
19 tions for 2 Senators and one Representative in Con-  
20 gress from the State, subject to the provisions of  
21 this section.

22 (2) SPECIAL RULE FOR ELECTIONS OF SEN-  
23 ATORS.—In the elections of Senators from the State  
24 pursuant to paragraph (1), the 2 Senate offices shall  
25 be separately identified and designated, and no per-

1 son may be a candidate for both offices. No such  
2 identification or designation of either of the offices  
3 shall refer to or be taken to refer to the terms of  
4 such offices, or in any way impair the privilege of  
5 the Senate to determine the class to which each of  
6 the Senators shall be assigned.

7 (b) RULES FOR CONDUCTING ELECTIONS.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—The proclamation of the  
9 Mayor issued under subsection (a) shall provide for  
10 the holding of a primary election and a general elec-  
11 tion, and in such elections the officers required to be  
12 elected as provided in subsection (a) shall be chosen  
13 by the qualified voters of the District of Columbia  
14 in the manner required by the laws of the District  
15 of Columbia.

16 (2) CERTIFICATION OF RESULTS.—Election re-  
17 sults shall be certified in the manner required by the  
18 laws of the District of Columbia, except that the  
19 Mayor shall also provide written certification of the  
20 results of such elections to the President.

21 (c) ASSUMPTION OF DUTIES.—Upon the admission  
22 of the State into the Union, the Senators and Representa-  
23 tive elected in the elections described in subsection (a)  
24 shall be entitled to be admitted to seats in Congress and

1 to all the rights and privileges of Senators and Represent-  
2 atives of the other States in Congress.

3 (d) EFFECT OF ADMISSION ON HOUSE OF REP-  
4 RESENTATIVES MEMBERSHIP.—

5 (1) PERMANENT INCREASE IN NUMBER OF  
6 MEMBERS.—Effective with respect to the Congress  
7 during which the State is admitted into the Union  
8 and each succeeding Congress, the House of Rep-  
9 resentatives shall be composed of 436 Members, in-  
10 cluding any Members representing the State.

11 (2) INITIAL NUMBER OF REPRESENTATIVES  
12 FOR STATE.—Until the taking effect of the first ap-  
13 portionment of Members occurring after the admis-  
14 sion of the State into the Union, the State shall be  
15 entitled to one Representative in the House of Rep-  
16 resentatives upon its admission into the Union.

17 (3) APPORTIONMENT OF MEMBERS RESULTING  
18 FROM ADMISSION OF STATE.—

19 (A) APPORTIONMENT.—Section 22(a) of  
20 the Act entitled “An Act to provide for the fif-  
21 teenth and subsequent decennial censuses and  
22 to provide for apportionment of Representatives  
23 in Congress”, approved June 18, 1929 (2  
24 U.S.C. 2a(a)), is amended by striking “the then

1 existing number of Representatives” and insert-  
2 ing “436 Representatives”.

3 (B) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment  
4 made by subparagraph (A) shall apply with re-  
5 spect to the first regular decennial census con-  
6 ducted after the admission of the State into the  
7 Union and each subsequent regular decennial  
8 census.

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

10 The President, upon the certification of the results  
11 of the elections of the officers required to be elected as  
12 provided in section 102(a), shall, not later than 90 days  
13 after receiving such certification pursuant to section  
14 102(b)(2), issue a proclamation announcing the results of  
15 such elections as so ascertained.

16 **Subtitle B—Seat of Government of**  
17 **the United States**

18 **SEC. 111. TERRITORY AND BOUNDARIES.**

19 (a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection  
20 (b), the State shall consist of all of the territory of the  
21 District of Columbia as of the date of the enactment of  
22 this Act, subject to the results of the metes and bounds  
23 survey conducted under subsection (c).

24 (b) EXCLUSION OF PORTION REMAINING AS SEAT OF  
25 GOVERNMENT OF UNITED STATES.—The territory of the

1 State shall not include the area described in section 112,  
2 which shall be known as the “Capital” and shall serve as  
3 the seat of the Government of the United States, as pro-  
4 vided in clause 17 of section 8 of article I of the Constitu-  
5 tion of the United States.

6 (c) METES AND BOUNDS SURVEY.—Not later than  
7 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
8 President (in consultation with the Chair of the National  
9 Capital Planning Commission) shall conduct a metes and  
10 bounds survey of the Capital, as described in section  
11 112(b).

12 **SEC. 112. DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL.**

13 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsections (c) and (d),  
14 upon the admission of the State into the Union, the Cap-  
15 ital shall consist of the property described in subsection  
16 (b) and shall include the principal Federal monuments,  
17 the White House, the Capitol Building, the United States  
18 Supreme Court Building, and the Federal executive, legis-  
19 lative, and judicial office buildings located adjacent to the  
20 Mall and the Capitol Building (as such terms are used  
21 in section 8501(a) of title 40, United States Code).

22 (b) GENERAL DESCRIPTION.—Upon the admission of  
23 the State into the Union, the boundaries of the Capital  
24 shall be as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the



1 southern right-of-way of F Street NE and the eastern  
2 right-of-way of 2nd Street NE;

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

6 (2) thence southwest along said northeastern  
7 right-of-way of Maryland Avenue NE to its intersec-  
8 tion with the northern right-of-way of Constitution  
9 Avenue NE;

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

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

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

19 (6) thence south along said eastern right-of-way  
20 of 2nd Street NE to the eastern right-of-way of 2nd  
21 Street SE;

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

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

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

7           (10) thence west along said northern right-of-  
8 way of Independence Avenue SE to its intersection  
9 with the northeastern right-of-way of Pennsylvania  
10 Avenue SE;

11           (11) thence northwest along said northeastern  
12 right-of-way of Pennsylvania Avenue SE to its inter-  
13 section with the eastern right-of-way of 2nd Street  
14 SE;

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

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

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

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

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

7           (17) thence southeast along said northeastern  
8           right-of-way of Canal Street SE to its intersection  
9           with the southern right-of-way of E Street SE;

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

13          (19) thence south along said western right-of-  
14          way of 1st Street SE to its intersection with the  
15          southernmost corner of the property designated as  
16          Square 736S Lot 801;

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

22          (21) thence southeast along said southwestern  
23          right-of-way of New Jersey Avenue SE to its inter-  
24          section with the northeastern right-of-way of Vir-  
25          ginia Avenue SE;

1           (22) thence northwest along said northeastern  
2 right-of-way of Virginia Avenue SE to its intersec-  
3 tion with the western right-of-way of South Capitol  
4 Street;

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

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

10          (25) thence west along a line extending said  
11 southern right-of-way of E Street SW westward to  
12 its intersection with the eastern right-of-way of 2nd  
13 Street SW;

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

19          (36) thence south along said eastern right-of-  
20          way of 14th Street SW to its intersection with the  
21          northwestern boundary of the Consolidated Rail Cor-  
22          poration railroad easement;

23          (37) thence southwest along said northwestern  
24          boundary of the Consolidated Rail Corporation rail-

1 road easement to its intersection with the eastern  
2 shore of the Potomac River;

3 (38) thence generally northwest along said east-  
4 ern shore of the Potomac River to its intersection  
5 with a line extending westward from the northern  
6 boundary of the property designated as Square 12  
7 Lot 806;

8 (39) thence east along said line extending west-  
9 ward from the northern boundary of the property  
10 designated as Square 12 Lot 806 to the northern  
11 boundary of the property designated as Square 12  
12 Lot 806, and continuing east along the northern  
13 boundary of the property designated as Square 12  
14 Lot 806 to its northeast corner;

15 (40) thence east along a line extending east  
16 from said northeast corner of the property des-  
17 igned as Square 12 Lot 806 to its intersection  
18 with the western boundary of the property des-  
19 igned as Square 33 Lot 87;

20 (41) thence south along said western boundary  
21 of the property designated as Square 33 Lot 87 to  
22 its intersection with the northwest corner of the  
23 property designated as Square 33 Lot 88;

24 (42) thence counter-clockwise around the  
25 boundary of said property designated as Square 33

1 Lot 88 to its southeast corner, which is along the  
2 northern right-of-way of E Street NW;

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

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

9 (45) thence southeast along said southwestern  
10 right-of-way of Virginia Avenue NW to its intersec-  
11 tion with the northern right-of-way of Constitution  
12 Avenue NW;

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

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

19 (48) thence east along said southern right-of-  
20 way of H Street NW to its intersection with the  
21 northwest corner of the property designated as  
22 Square 221 Lot 35;

23 (49) thence counter-clockwise around the  
24 boundary of said property designated as Square 221  
25 Lot 35 to its southeast corner, which is along the

1 boundary of the property designated as Square 221  
2 Lot 37;

3 (50) thence counter-clockwise around the  
4 boundary of said property designated as Square 221  
5 Lot 37 to its southwest corner, which it shares with  
6 the property designated as Square 221 Lot 42;

7 (51) thence south along the boundary of said  
8 property designated as Square 221 Lot 42 to its  
9 southwest corner;

10 (52) thence east along the southern border of  
11 said property designated as Square 221 Lot 42 to  
12 its intersection with the northwest corner of the  
13 property designated as Square 221 Lot 41;

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

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

21 (55) thence south along said western right-of-  
22 way of 15th Street NW to its intersection with a line  
23 extending northwest from the southern right-of-way  
24 of the portion of Pennsylvania Avenue NW north of  
25 Pershing Square;



1           (56) thence southeast along said line extending  
2           the southern right-of-way of Pennsylvania Avenue  
3           NW to the southern right-of-way of Pennsylvania  
4           Avenue NW, and continuing southeast along said  
5           southern right-of-way of Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
6           to its intersection with the western right-of-way of  
7           14th Street NW;

8           (57) thence south along said western right-of-  
9           way of 14th Street NW to its intersection with a line  
10          extending west from the southern right-of-way of D  
11          Street NW;

12          (58) thence east along said line extending west  
13          from the southern right-of-way of D Street NW to  
14          the southern right-of-way of D Street NW, and con-  
15          tinuing east along said southern right-of-way of D  
16          Street NW to its intersection with the eastern right-  
17          of-way of 13½ Street NW;

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

21          (60) thence east and southeast along said  
22          southern right-of-way of Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
23          to its intersection with the western right-of-way of  
24          12th Street NW;

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

5           (62) thence east along said line to the south-  
6           west corner of said property designated as Square  
7           324 Lot 809, and continuing northeast along the  
8           southern boundary of said property designated as  
9           Square 324 Lot 809 to its eastern corner, which it  
10          shares with the property designated as Square 323  
11          Lot 802;

12          (63) thence east along the southern boundary  
13          of said property designated as Square 323 Lot 802  
14          to its southeast corner, which it shares with the  
15          property designated as Square 324 Lot 808;

16          (64) thence counter-clockwise around the  
17          boundary of said property designated as Square 324  
18          Lot 808 to its northeastern corner, which is along  
19          the southern right-of-way of Pennsylvania Avenue  
20          NW;

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

24          (66) thence north along a line extending north  
25          from said eastern right-of-way of 4th Street NW to

1 its intersection with the southern right-of-way of C  
2 Street NW;

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

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

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

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

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

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

21 (73) thence east along said northern right-of-  
22 way of Constitution Avenue NW to its intersection  
23 with the northwestern right-of-way of Louisiana Av-  
24 enue NW;

1           (74) thence northeast along said northwestern  
2 right-of-way of Louisiana Avenue NW to its inter-  
3 section with the southwestern right-of-way of New  
4 Jersey Avenue NW;

5           (75) thence northwest along said southwestern  
6 right-of-way of New Jersey Avenue NW to its inter-  
7 section with the northern right-of-way of D Street  
8 NW;

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

12           (77) thence northeast along said northwestern  
13 right-of-way of Louisiana Avenue NW to its inter-  
14 section with the western right-of-way of North Cap-  
15 itol Street;

16           (78) thence north along said western right-of-  
17 way of North Capitol Street to its intersection with  
18 the southwestern right-of-way of Massachusetts Ave-  
19 nue NW;

20           (79) thence southeast along said southwestern  
21 right-of-way of Massachusetts Avenue NW to the  
22 southwestern right-of-way of Massachusetts Avenue  
23 NE;

1           (80) thence southeast along said southwestern  
2 right-of-way of Massachusetts Avenue NE to the  
3 southern right-of-way of Columbus Circle NE;

4           (81) thence counter-clockwise along said south-  
5 ern right-of-way of Columbus Circle NE to its inter-  
6 section with the southern right-of-way of F Street  
7 NE; and

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

10       (c) EXCLUSION OF BUILDING SERVING AS STATE  
11 CAPITOL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this  
12 section, after the admission of the State into the Union,  
13 the Capital shall not be considered to include the building  
14 known as the “John A. Wilson Building”, as described  
15 and designated under section 601(a) of the Omnibus  
16 Spending Reduction Act of 1993 (sec. 10–1301(a), D.C.  
17 Official Code).

18       (d) CLARIFICATION OF TREATMENT OF FRANCES  
19 PERKINS BUILDING.—The entirety of the Frances Per-  
20 kins Building, including any portion of the Building which  
21 is north of D Street NW, shall be considered to be in-  
22 cluded in the Capital.

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

24       (a) RETENTION OF FEDERAL TITLE.—The United  
25 States shall have and retain title to, or jurisdiction over,

1 for purposes of administration and maintenance, all real  
2 and personal property with respect to which the United  
3 States holds title or jurisdiction for such purposes on the  
4 day before the date of the admission of the State into the  
5 Union.

6 (b) RETENTION OF STATE TITLE.—The State shall  
7 have and retain title to, or jurisdiction over, for purposes  
8 of administration and maintenance, all real and personal  
9 property with respect to which the District of Columbia  
10 holds title or jurisdiction for such purposes on the day  
11 before the date of the admission of the State into the  
12 Union.

13 **SEC. 114. EFFECT OF ADMISSION ON CURRENT LAWS OF**  
14 **SEAT OF GOVERNMENT OF UNITED STATES.**

15 Except as otherwise provided in this Act, the laws  
16 of the District of Columbia which are in effect on the day  
17 before the date of the admission of the State into the  
18 Union (without regard to whether such laws were enacted  
19 by Congress or by the District of Columbia) shall apply  
20 in the Capital in the same manner and to the same extent  
21 beginning on the date of the admission of the State into  
22 the Union, and shall be deemed laws of the United States  
23 which are applicable only in or to the Capital.

1 **SEC. 115. CAPITAL NATIONAL GUARD.**

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

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

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

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

14 (4) AVAILABILITY OF APPROPRIATIONS.—In  
15 section 107(b), by striking “District of Columbia”  
16 and inserting “Capital”.

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

21 (6) DRUG INTERDICTION AND COUNTER-DRUG  
22 ACTIVITIES.—In section 112(h)—

23 (A) by striking “District of Columbia,”  
24 both places it appears and inserting “Capital,”;  
25 and

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

4 (7) ENLISTMENT OATH.—In section 304, by  
5 striking “District of Columbia” and inserting “Cap-  
6 ital”.

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

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

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

17 (11) RELIEF FROM NATIONAL GUARD DUTY  
18 WHEN ORDERED TO ACTIVE DUTY.—In subsections  
19 (a) and (b) of section 325, by striking “District of  
20 Columbia” each place it appears and inserting “Cap-  
21 ital”.

22 (12) COURTS-MARTIAL OF NATIONAL GUARD  
23 NOT IN FEDERAL SERVICE: COMPOSITION, JURISDIC-  
24 TION, AND PROCEDURES; CONVENING AUTHORITY.—  
25 In sections 326 and 327, by striking “District of Co-



1       lumbia” each place it appears and inserting “Cap-  
2       ital”.

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

6               (14) TRAINING GENERALLY.—In section  
7       501(b), by striking “District of Columbia” and in-  
8       serting “Capital”.

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

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

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

19              (18) NATIONAL GUARD YOUTH CHALLENGE  
20      PROGRAM.—In subsections (c)(1), (g)(2), (j), (k),  
21      and (l)(1) of section 509, by striking “District of  
22      Columbia” each place it appears and inserting “Cap-  
23      ital”.

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

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

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

7 (20) PURCHASES OF SUPPLIES FROM ARMY OR  
8 AIR FORCE.—In subsections (a) and (b) of section  
9 703, by striking “District of Columbia” both places  
10 it appears and inserting “Capital”.

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

14 (22) PROPERTY AND FISCAL OFFICERS.—In  
15 section 708—

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

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

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

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

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

8           (26) PROPERTY LOSS; PERSONAL INJURY OR  
9 DEATH.—In section 715(e), by striking “District of  
10 Columbia” and inserting “Capital”.

11 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

12           (1) CAPITAL DEFINED.—

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

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

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

23           (i) in paragraph (2), by striking “Dis-  
24 trict of Columbia” and inserting “Capital”;  
25 and

1 (ii) by adding at the end the following  
2 new paragraph:

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

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

8 (A) DEFINITIONS.—In section 101—

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

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

15 (ii) in paragraphs (2) and (4) of sub-  
16 section (c), by striking “District of Colum-  
17 bia” both places it appears and inserting  
18 “Capital”; and

19 (iii) in subsection (d)(5), by striking  
20 “District of Columbia” and inserting  
21 “Capital”.

22 (B) DISPOSITION ON DISCHARGE.—In sec-  
23 tion 771a(e), by striking “District of Columbia”  
24 and inserting “Capital”.

1           (C) TRICARE COVERAGE FOR CERTAIN  
2 MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL GUARD AND DE-  
3 PENDENTS DURING CERTAIN DISASTER RE-  
4 SPONSE DUTY.—In section 1076f—

5           (i) in subsections (a) and (c)(1), by  
6 striking “with respect to the District of  
7 Columbia, the mayor of the District of Co-  
8 lumbia” both places it appears and insert-  
9 ing “with respect to the Capital, the com-  
10 manding general of the Capital National  
11 Guard”; and

12           (ii) in subsection (c)(2), by striking  
13 “District of Columbia” and inserting  
14 “Capital”.

15           (D) PAYMENT OF CLAIMS: AVAILABILITY  
16 OF APPROPRIATIONS.—In paragraph (2)(B) of  
17 section 2732, by striking “District of Colum-  
18 bia” and inserting “Capital”.

19           (E) MEMBERS OF ARMY NATIONAL GUARD:  
20 DETAIL AS STUDENTS, OBSERVERS, AND INVES-  
21 TIGATORS AT EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, IN-  
22 DUSTRIAL PLANTS, AND HOSPITALS.—In sec-  
23 tion 7401(c), by striking “District of Colum-  
24 bia” and inserting “Capital”.

1 (F) MEMBERS OF AIR NATIONAL GUARD:  
2 DETAIL AS STUDENTS, OBSERVERS, AND INVES-  
3 TIGATORS AT EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, IN-  
4 DUSTRIAL PLANTS, AND HOSPITALS.—In sec-  
5 tion 9401(c), by striking “District of Colum-  
6 bia” and inserting “Capital”.

7 (G) READY RESERVE: FAILURE TO SATIS-  
8 FACTORILY PERFORM PRESCRIBED TRAINING.—  
9 In section 10148(b)—

10 (i) by striking “District of Columbia,”  
11 and inserting “Capital,”; and

12 (ii) by striking “District of Columbia  
13 National Guard” and inserting “Capital  
14 National Guard”.

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

17 (i) by striking “District of Columbia,”  
18 and inserting “Capital,”; and

19 (ii) by striking “District of Columbia  
20 National Guard” and inserting “Capital  
21 National Guard”.

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

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

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

4 (J) OTHER SENIOR NATIONAL GUARD BU-  
5 REAU OFFICERS.—In subparagraphs (A) and  
6 (B) of section 10506(a)(1)—

7 (i) by striking “District of Columbia,”  
8 both places it appears and inserting “Cap-  
9 ital,”; and

10 (ii) by striking “District of Columbia  
11 National Guard” both places it appears  
12 and inserting “Capital National Guard”.

13 (K) NATIONAL GUARD BUREAU: GENERAL  
14 PROVISIONS.—In section 10508(b)(1), by strik-  
15 ing “District of Columbia” and inserting “Cap-  
16 ital”.

17 (L) COMMISSIONED OFFICERS: ORIGINAL  
18 APPOINTMENT; LIMITATION.—In section  
19 12204(b), by striking “District of Columbia”  
20 and inserting “Capital”.

21 (M) RESERVE COMPONENTS GEN-  
22 ERALLY.—In section 12301(b), by striking  
23 “District of Columbia National Guard” both  
24 places it appears and inserting “Capital Na-  
25 tional Guard”.

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

3 (i) by striking “District of Columbia,”  
4 and inserting “Capital,”; and

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

8 (O) RESULT OF FAILURE TO COMPLY  
9 WITH STANDARDS AND QUALIFICATIONS.—In  
10 section 12642(c), by striking “District of Co-  
11 lumbia” and inserting “Capital”.

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

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

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

19 **SEC. 116. TERMINATION OF LEGAL STATUS OF SEAT OF**  
20 **GOVERNMENT OF UNITED STATES AS MUNIC-**  
21 **IPAL CORPORATION.**

22 Notwithstanding section 2 of the Revised Statutes re-  
23 lating to the District of Columbia (sec. 1–102, D.C. Offi-  
24 cial Code) or any other provision of law codified in sub-  
25 chapter I of chapter 1 of the District of Columbia Official



1 Code, effective upon the date of the admission of the State  
2 into the Union, the Capital (or any portion thereof) shall  
3 not serve as a government and shall not be a body cor-  
4 porate for municipal purposes.

5 **Subtitle C—General Provisions**  
6 **Relating to Laws of State**

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

8 (a) LEGISLATIVE POWER.—The legislative power of  
9 the State shall extend to all rightful subjects of legislation  
10 in the State, consistent with the Constitution of the  
11 United States (including the restrictions and limitations  
12 imposed upon the States by article I, section 10) and sub-  
13 ject to the provisions of this Act.

14 (b) CONTINUATION OF AUTHORITY AND DUTIES OF  
15 MEMBERS OF EXECUTIVE, LEGISLATIVE, AND JUDICIAL  
16 OFFICES.—Upon the admission of the State into the  
17 Union, members of executive, legislative, and judicial of-  
18 fices of the District of Columbia shall be deemed members  
19 of the respective executive, legislative, and judicial offices  
20 of the State, as provided by the State Constitution and  
21 the laws of the State.

22 (c) TREATMENT OF FEDERAL LAWS.—To the extent  
23 that any law of the United States applies to the States  
24 generally, the law shall have the same force and effect in

1 the State as elsewhere in the United States, except as such  
2 law may otherwise provide.

3 (d) NO EFFECT ON EXISTING CONTRACTS.—Nothing  
4 in the admission of the State into the Union shall affect  
5 any obligation under any contract or agreement under  
6 which the District of Columbia or the United States is  
7 a party, as in effect on the day before the date of the  
8 admission of the State into the Union.

9 (e) SUCCESSION IN INTERSTATE COMPACTS.—The  
10 State shall be deemed to be the successor to the District  
11 of Columbia for purposes of any interstate compact which  
12 is in effect on the day before the date of the admission  
13 of the State into the Union.

14 (f) CONTINUATION OF SERVICE OF FEDERAL MEM-  
15 BERS ON BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.—Nothing in the ad-  
16 mission of the State into the Union shall affect the author-  
17 ity of a representative of the Federal Government who,  
18 as of the day before the date of the admission of the State  
19 into the Union, is a member of a board or commission  
20 of the District of Columbia to serve as a member of such  
21 board or commission or as a member of a successor to  
22 such board or commission after the admission of the State  
23 into the Union, as may be provided by the State Constitu-  
24 tion and the laws of the State.

1 (g) SPECIAL RULE REGARDING ENFORCEMENT AU-  
2 THORITY OF UNITED STATES CAPITOL POLICE, UNITED  
3 STATES PARK POLICE, AND UNITED STATES SECRET  
4 SERVICE UNIFORMED DIVISION.—The United States  
5 Capitol Police, the United States Park Police, and the  
6 United States Secret Service Uniformed Division may not  
7 enforce any law of the State in the State, except to the  
8 extent authorized by the State. Nothing in this subsection  
9 may be construed to affect the authority of the United  
10 States Capitol Police, the United States Park Police, and  
11 the United States Secret Service Uniformed Division to  
12 enforce any law in the Capital.

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

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

17 (b) NO EFFECT ON PENDING PROCEEDINGS.—All  
18 existing writs, actions, suits, judicial and administrative  
19 proceedings, civil or criminal liabilities, prosecutions, judg-  
20 ments, sentences, orders, decrees, appeals, causes of ac-  
21 tion, claims, demands, titles, and rights shall continue un-  
22 affected by the admission of the State into the Union with  
23 respect to the State or the United States, except as may  
24 be provided under this Act, as may be modified in accord-  
25 ance with the provisions of the State Constitution, and

1 as may be modified by the laws of the State or the United  
2 States, as the case may be.

3 **SEC. 123. LIMITATION ON AUTHORITY TO TAX FEDERAL**  
4 **PROPERTY.**

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

8 **SEC. 124. UNITED STATES NATIONALITY.**

9 No provision of this Act shall operate to confer  
10 United States nationality, to terminate nationality lawfully  
11 acquired, or to restore nationality terminated or lost under  
12 any law of the United States or under any treaty to which  
13 the United States is or was a party.

14 **TITLE II—INTERESTS OF**  
15 **FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**  
16 **Subtitle A—Federal Property**

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

18 (a) RESERVATION OF FEDERAL AUTHORITY.—

19 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2)  
20 and subsection (b) and notwithstanding the admis-  
21 sion of the State into the Union, authority is re-  
22 served in the United States for the exercise by Con-  
23 gress of the power of exclusive legislation in all cases  
24 whatsoever over such tracts or parcels of land lo-  
25 cated in the State that, on the day before the date

1 of the admission of the State into the Union, are  
2 controlled or owned by the United States and held  
3 for defense or Coast Guard purposes.

4 (2) LIMITATION ON AUTHORITY.—The power of  
5 exclusive legislation described in paragraph (1) shall  
6 vest and remain in the United States only so long  
7 as the particular tract or parcel of land involved is  
8 controlled or owned by the United States and held  
9 for defense or Coast Guard purposes.

10 (b) AUTHORITY OF STATE.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—The reservation of authority  
12 in the United States under subsection (a) shall not  
13 operate to prevent such tracts or parcels of land  
14 from being a part of the State, or to prevent the  
15 State from exercising over or upon such lands, con-  
16 currently with the United States, any jurisdiction  
17 which it would have in the absence of such reserva-  
18 tion of authority and which is consistent with the  
19 laws hereafter enacted by Congress pursuant to such  
20 reservation of authority.

21 (2) SERVICE OF PROCESS.—The State shall  
22 have the right to serve civil or criminal process in  
23 such tracts or parcels of land in which the authority  
24 of the United States is reserved under subsection (a)  
25 in suits or prosecutions for or on account of rights

1       acquired, obligations incurred, or crimes committed  
2       in the State but outside of such lands.

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

4       (a) IN GENERAL.—As a compact with the United  
5 States, the State and its people disclaim all right and title  
6 to any real or personal property not granted or confirmed  
7 to the State by or under the authority of this Act, the  
8 right or title to which is held by the United States or sub-  
9 ject to disposition by the United States.

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

11           (1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this Act shall  
12 recognize, deny, enlarge, impair, or otherwise affect  
13 any claim against the United States, and any such  
14 claim shall be governed by applicable laws of the  
15 United States.

16           (2) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this  
17 Act is intended or shall be construed as a finding,  
18 interpretation, or construction by Congress that any  
19 applicable law authorizes, establishes, recognizes, or  
20 confirms the validity or invalidity of any claim re-  
21 ferred to in paragraph (1), and the determination of  
22 the applicability to or the effect of any law on any  
23 such claim shall be unaffected by anything in this  
24 Act.

1           **Subtitle B—Federal Courts**

2   **SEC. 211. RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN FED-**  
3                   **ERAL OFFICIALS.**

4           (a) **CIRCUIT JUDGES.**—Section 44(c) of title 28,  
5 United States Code, is amended—

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

8                 (2) by striking “within fifty miles of the Dis-  
9 trict of Columbia” and inserting “within fifty miles  
10 of the Capital”.

11           (b) **DISTRICT JUDGES.**—Section 134(b) of such title  
12 is amended in the first sentence by striking “the District  
13 of Columbia, the Southern District of New York, and” and  
14 inserting “the Southern District of New York and”.

15           (c) **UNITED STATES ATTORNEYS.**—Section 545(a) of  
16 such title is amended by striking the first sentence and  
17 inserting “Each United States attorney shall reside in the  
18 district for which he or she is appointed, except that those  
19 officers of the Southern District of New York and the  
20 Eastern District of New York may reside within 20 miles  
21 thereof.”.

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

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

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

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

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

11           (a) RENAMING.—

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

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

16           (B) in the second column, by striking  
17 “District of Columbia” and inserting “Capital;  
18 Washington, Douglass Commonwealth”.

19           (2) DISTRICT COURT.—Section 88 of such title  
20 is amended—

21           (A) in the heading, by striking “**District**  
22 **of Columbia**” and inserting “**Washington,**  
23 **Douglass Commonwealth and the**  
24 **Capital**”;



1 (B) by amending the first paragraph to  
2 read as follows:

3 “The State of Washington, Douglass Common-  
4 wealth and the Capital comprise one judicial dis-  
5 trict.”; and

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

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

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

11 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS RELATING TO  
12 COURT OF APPEALS.—Title 28, United States Code, is  
13 amended as follows:

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

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

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

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

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

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

5           (4) CIRCUIT COURT JURISDICTION OVER CER-  
6 TIFICATION OF DEATH PENALTY COUNSELS.—Sec-  
7 tion 2265(c)(2) of such title is amended by striking  
8 “the District of Columbia Circuit” and inserting  
9 “the Capital Circuit”.

10          (5) CIRCUIT COURT JURISDICTION OVER RE-  
11 VIEW OF FEDERAL AGENCY ORDERS.—Section 2343  
12 of such title is amended by striking “the District of  
13 Columbia Circuit” and inserting “the Capital Cir-  
14 cuit”.

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

18           (1) APPOINTMENT AND NUMBER OF DISTRICT  
19 COURT JUDGES.—Section 133(a) of such title is  
20 amended in the first column by striking “District of  
21 Columbia” and inserting “Washington, Douglass  
22 Commonwealth and the Capital”.

23           (2) DISTRICT COURT JURISDICTION OF TAX  
24 CASES BROUGHT AGAINST UNITED STATES.—Section  
25 1346(e) of such title is amended by striking “the

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

3 (3) DISTRICT COURT JURISDICTION OVER PRO-  
4 CEEDINGS FOR FORFEITURE OF FOREIGN PROP-  
5 ERTY.—Section 1355(b)(2) of such title is amended  
6 by striking “the District of Columbia” and inserting  
7 “Washington, Douglass Commonwealth and the  
8 Capital”.

9 (4) DISTRICT COURT JURISDICTION OVER CIVIL  
10 ACTIONS BROUGHT AGAINST A FOREIGN STATE.—  
11 Section 1391(f)(4) of such title is amended by strik-  
12 ing “the District of Columbia” and inserting “Wash-  
13 ington, Douglass Commonwealth and the Capital”.

14 (5) DISTRICT COURT JURISDICTION OVER AC-  
15 TIONS BROUGHT BY CORPORATIONS AGAINST  
16 UNITED STATES.—Section 1402(a)(2) of such title is  
17 amended by striking “the District of Columbia” and  
18 inserting “Washington, Douglass Commonwealth  
19 and the Capital”.

20 (6) VENUE IN DISTRICT COURT OF CERTAIN AC-  
21 TIONS BROUGHT BY EMPLOYEES OF EXECUTIVE OF-  
22 FICE OF THE PRESIDENT.—Section 1413 of such  
23 title is amended by striking “the District of Colum-  
24 bia” and inserting “Washington, Douglass Common-  
25 wealth and the Capital”.

1           (7) VENUE IN DISTRICT COURT OF ACTION EN-  
2       FORCING           FOREIGN           JUDGMENT.—Section  
3       2467(c)(2)(B) of such title is amended by striking  
4       “the District of Columbia” and inserting “Wash-  
5       ington, Douglass Commonwealth and the Capital”.

6       (d) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS RELATING TO  
7       OTHER COURTS.—Title 28, United States Code, is  
8       amended as follows:

9           (1) APPOINTMENT OF BANKRUPTCY JUDGES.—  
10       Section 152(a)(2) of such title is amended in the  
11       first column by striking “District of Columbia” and  
12       inserting “Washington, Douglass Commonwealth  
13       and the Capital”.

14          (2) LOCATION OF COURT OF FEDERAL  
15       CLAIMS.—Section 173 of such title is amended by  
16       striking “the District of Columbia” and inserting  
17       “the Capital”.

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

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

1           “(b) The official duty station of the Chief Justice of  
2 the United States, the Justices of the Supreme Court of  
3 the United States, and the judges of the United States  
4 Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit shall be the Cap-  
5 ital.”.

6           (5) COURT ACCOMMODATIONS FOR FEDERAL  
7 CIRCUIT AND COURT OF FEDERAL CLAIMS.—Section  
8 462(d) of such title is amended by striking “the Dis-  
9 trict of Columbia” and inserting “the Capital”.

10           (6) PLACES OF HOLDING COURT OF COURT OF  
11 FEDERAL CLAIMS.—Section 798(a) of such title is  
12 amended—

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

15                   (B) by striking “the District of Columbia”  
16 and inserting “the Capital”.

17           (e) OTHER CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

18           (1) SERVICE OF PROCESS ON FOREIGN PARTIES  
19 AT STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICE.—Section  
20 1608(a)(4) of such title is amended by striking  
21 “Washington, District of Columbia” and inserting  
22 “the Capital”.

23           (2) SERVICE OF PROCESS IN PROPERTY CASES  
24 AT ATTORNEY GENERAL OFFICE.—Section 2410(b)

1 of such title is amended by striking “Washington,  
2 District of Columbia” and inserting “the Capital”.

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

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

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

12 (1) to the United States Court of Appeals for  
13 the District of Columbia shall be deemed to refer to  
14 the United States Court of Appeals for the Capital;

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

17 (3) to the United States District Court for the  
18 District of Columbia shall be deemed to refer to the  
19 United States District Court for Washington, Doug-  
20 lass Commonwealth and the Capital.

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

1 **SEC. 213. CONFORMING AMENDMENTS RELATING TO DE-**  
2 **PARTMENT OF JUSTICE.**

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

8 (b) INDEPENDENT COUNSELS.—

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

11 (A) by striking “the District of Columbia”  
12 the first place it appears and inserting “Wash-  
13 ington, Douglass Commonwealth and the Cap-  
14 ital”; and

15 (B) by striking “the District of Columbia”  
16 the second place it appears and inserting  
17 “Washington, Douglass Commonwealth”.

18 (2) JUDICIAL REVIEW OF REMOVAL.—Section  
19 596(a)(3) of such title is amended by striking “the  
20 District of Columbia” and inserting “Washington,  
21 Douglass Commonwealth and the Capital”.

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. 214. TREATMENT OF PRETRIAL SERVICES IN UNITED**  
2 **STATES DISTRICT COURT.**

3 Section 3152 of title 18, United States Code, is  
4 amended—

5 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “(other than  
6 the District of Columbia)” and inserting “(subject to  
7 subsection (d), other than the District of Colum-  
8 bia)”; and

9 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
10 section:

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

13 “(1) upon the admission of the State of Wash-  
14 ington, Douglass Commonwealth into the Union, the  
15 Washington, Douglass Commonwealth Pretrial Serv-  
16 ices Agency shall continue to provide pretrial serv-  
17 ices in the judicial district in the same manner and  
18 to the same extent as the District of Columbia Pre-  
19 trial Services Agency provided such services in the  
20 judicial district of the District of Columbia as of the  
21 day before the date of the admission of the State  
22 into the Union; and

23 “(2) upon the receipt by the President of the  
24 certification from the State of Washington, Douglass  
25 Commonwealth under section 315(b)(4) of the  
26 Washington, D.C. Admission Act that the State has



1 in effect laws providing for the State to provide pre-  
 2 trial services, paragraph (1) shall no longer apply,  
 3 and the Director shall provide for the establishment  
 4 of pretrial services in the judicial district under this  
 5 section.”.

## 6 **Subtitle C—Federal Elections**

### 7 **SEC. 221. PERMITTING INDIVIDUALS RESIDING IN CAPITAL** 8 **TO VOTE IN FEDERAL ELECTIONS IN STATE** 9 **OF MOST RECENT DOMICILE.**

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

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—Each State shall—

13 (A) permit absent Capital voters to use ab-  
 14 sentee registration procedures and to vote by  
 15 absentee ballot in general, special, primary, and  
 16 runoff elections for Federal office; and

17 (B) accept and process, with respect to any  
 18 general, special, primary, or runoff election for  
 19 Federal office, any otherwise valid voter reg-  
 20 istration application from an absent Capital  
 21 voter, if the application is received by the ap-  
 22 propriate State election official not less than 30  
 23 days before the election.

24 (2) ABSENT CAPITAL VOTER DEFINED.—In this  
 25 section, the term “absent Capital voter” means, with

1       respect to a State, a person who resides in the Cap-  
2       ital and is qualified to vote in the State (or who  
3       would be qualified to vote in the State but for resid-  
4       ing in the Capital), but only if the State is the last  
5       place in which the person was domiciled before resid-  
6       ing in the Capital.

7               (3) STATE DEFINED.—In this section, the term  
8       “State” means each of the several States, including  
9       the State.

10       (b) RECOMMENDATIONS TO STATES TO MAXIMIZE  
11       ACCESS TO POLLS BY ABSENT CAPITAL VOTERS.—To af-  
12       ford maximum access to the polls by absent Capital voters,  
13       it is the sense of Congress that the States should—

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

17               (2) expedite processing of balloting materials  
18       with respect to such individuals; and

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

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

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

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

9 **SEC. 222. REPEAL OF OFFICE OF DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**  
10 **DELEGATE.**

11 (a) IN GENERAL.—Sections 202 and 204 of the Dis-  
12 trict of Columbia Delegate Act (Public Law 91–405; sec-  
13 tions 1–401 and 1–402, D.C. Official Code) are repealed,  
14 and the provisions of law amended or repealed by such  
15 sections are restored or revived as if such sections had  
16 not been enacted.

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

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

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

25 (A) by striking paragraph (6);

1 (B) in paragraph (12), by striking “(except  
2 the Delegate to Congress for the District of Co-  
3 lumbia)”; and

4 (C) in paragraph (13), by striking “the  
5 Delegate to Congress for the District of Colum-  
6 bia,”;

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

9 (A) by striking “Delegate,” in the heading;  
10 and

11 (B) by striking “Delegate,” each place it  
12 appears in subsections (d), (h)(1)(A), (h)(2),  
13 (i)(1), (j)(1), (j)(3), and (k)(3);

14 (4) in section 10 (sec. 1–1001.10, D.C. Official  
15 Code)—

16 (A) by striking subparagraph (A) of sub-  
17 section (a)(3); and

18 (B) in subsection (d)—

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

21 (ii) by striking paragraph (2) and re-  
22 designating paragraph (3) as paragraph  
23 (2);

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

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

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

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

12       **SEC. 223. REPEAL OF LAW PROVIDING FOR PARTICIPATION**  
13                               **OF SEAT OF GOVERNMENT IN ELECTION OF**  
14                               **PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT.**

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

17               (1) by striking paragraph (2);

18               (2) by redesignating paragraph (3) as para-  
19               graph (2); and

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

23          (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
24          subsection (a) shall take effect upon the date of the admis-  
25          sion of the State into the Union, and shall apply to any

1 election of the President and Vice President taking place  
2 on or after such date.

3 **SEC. 224. EXPEDITED PROCEDURES FOR CONSIDERATION**  
4 **OF CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT REPEAL-**  
5 **ING 23RD AMENDMENT.**

6 (a) **JOINT RESOLUTION DESCRIBED.**—In this sec-  
7 tion, the term “joint resolution” means a joint resolu-  
8 tion—

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

12 (2) the matter after the resolving clause of  
13 which consists solely of text to amend the Constitu-  
14 tion of the United States to repeal the 23rd article  
15 of amendment to the Constitution.

16 (b) **EXPEDITED CONSIDERATION IN HOUSE OF REP-**  
17 **RESENTATIVES.**—

18 (1) **PLACEMENT ON CALENDAR.**—Upon intro-  
19 duction in the House of Representatives, the joint  
20 resolution shall be placed immediately on the appro-  
21 priate calendar.

22 (2) **PROCEEDING TO CONSIDERATION.**—

23 (A) **IN GENERAL.**—It shall be in order, not  
24 later than 30 legislative days after the date the  
25 joint resolution is introduced in the House of

1           Representatives, to move to proceed to consider  
2           the joint resolution in the House of Representa-  
3           tives.

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

6           (i) all points of order against the mo-  
7           tion are waived;

8           (ii) such a motion shall not be in  
9           order after the House of Representatives  
10          has disposed of a motion to proceed on the  
11          joint resolution;

12          (iii) the previous question shall be  
13          considered as ordered on the motion to its  
14          adoption without intervening motion;

15          (iv) the motion shall not be debatable;  
16          and

17          (v) a motion to reconsider the vote by  
18          which the motion is disposed of shall not  
19          be in order.

20          (3) CONSIDERATION.—When the House of Rep-  
21          resentatives proceeds to consideration of the joint  
22          resolution—

23          (A) the joint resolution shall be considered  
24          as read;

1 (B) all points of order against the joint  
2 resolution and against its consideration are  
3 waived;

4 (C) the previous question shall be consid-  
5 ered as ordered on the joint resolution to its  
6 passage without intervening motion except 10  
7 hours of debate equally divided and controlled  
8 by the proponent and an opponent;

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

11 (E) a motion to reconsider the vote on pas-  
12 sage of the joint resolution shall not be in  
13 order.

14 (c) EXPEDITED CONSIDERATION IN SENATE.—

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

18 (2) PROCEEDING TO CONSIDERATION.—

19 (A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding rule  
20 XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, it is  
21 in order, not later than 30 legislative days after  
22 the date the joint resolution is introduced in the  
23 Senate (even though a previous motion to the  
24 same effect has been disagreed to) to move to



1 proceed to the consideration of the joint resolu-  
2 tion.

3 (B) PROCEDURE.—For a motion to pro-  
4 ceed to the consideration of the joint resolu-  
5 tion—

6 (i) all points of order against the mo-  
7 tion are waived;

8 (ii) the motion is not debatable;

9 (iii) the motion is not subject to a mo-  
10 tion to postpone;

11 (iv) a motion to reconsider the vote by  
12 which the motion is agreed to or disagreed  
13 to shall not be in order; and

14 (v) if the motion is agreed to, the  
15 joint resolution shall remain the unfinished  
16 business until disposed of.

17 (3) FLOOR CONSIDERATION.—

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

20 (i) all points of order against the joint  
21 resolution (and against consideration of  
22 the joint resolution) are waived;

23 (ii) consideration of the joint resolu-  
24 tion, and all debatable motions and appeals  
25 in connection therewith, shall be limited to

1 not more than 30 hours, which shall be di-  
2 vided equally between the majority and mi-  
3 nority leaders or their designees;

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

6 (iv) an amendment to, a motion to  
7 postpone, or a motion to commit the joint  
8 resolution is not in order; and

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

11 (B) VOTE ON PASSAGE.—In the Senate the  
12 vote on passage shall occur immediately fol-  
13 lowing the conclusion of the consideration of the  
14 joint resolution, and a single quorum call at the  
15 conclusion of the debate if requested in accord-  
16 ance with the rules of the Senate.

17 (C) RULINGS OF THE CHAIR ON PROCE-  
18 DURE.—Appeals from the decisions of the Chair  
19 relating to the application of this subsection or  
20 the rules of the Senate, as the case may be, to  
21 the procedure relating to the joint resolution  
22 shall be decided without debate.

23 (d) RULES RELATING TO SENATE AND HOUSE OF  
24 REPRESENTATIVES.—

1           (1) COORDINATION WITH ACTION BY OTHER  
2 HOUSE.—If, before the passage by one House of the  
3 joint resolution of that House, that House receives  
4 from the other House the joint resolution—

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

7           (B) with respect to the joint resolution of  
8 the House receiving the resolution—

9           (i) the procedure in that House shall  
10 be the same as if no joint resolution had  
11 been received from the other House; and

12           (ii) the vote on passage shall be on  
13 the joint resolution of the other House.

14           (2) TREATMENT OF JOINT RESOLUTION OF  
15 OTHER HOUSE.—If one House fails to introduce or  
16 consider the joint resolution under this section, the  
17 joint resolution of the other House shall be entitled  
18 to expedited floor procedures under this section.

19           (3) TREATMENT OF COMPANION MEASURES.—  
20 If, following passage of the joint resolution in the  
21 Senate, the Senate receives the companion measure  
22 from the House of Representatives, the companion  
23 measure shall not be debatable.

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

1           (1) as an exercise of the rulemaking power of  
2           the Senate and House of Representatives, respec-  
3           tively, and as such is deemed a part of the rules of  
4           each House, respectively, but applicable only with re-  
5           spect to the procedure to be followed in that House  
6           in the case of the joint resolution, and supersede  
7           other rules only to the extent that it is inconsistent  
8           with such rules; and

9           (2) with full recognition of the constitutional  
10          right of either House to change the rules (so far as  
11          relating to the procedure of that House) at any time,  
12          in the same manner, and to the same extent as in  
13          the case of any other rule of that House.

14 **TITLE III—CONTINUATION OF**  
15 **CERTAIN AUTHORITIES AND**  
16 **RESPONSIBILITIES**  
17 **Subtitle A—Employee Benefits**

18 **SEC. 301. FEDERAL BENEFIT PAYMENTS UNDER CERTAIN**  
19 **RETIREMENT PROGRAMS.**

20          (a) CONTINUATION OF ENTITLEMENT TO PAY-  
21 MENTS.—Any individual who, as of the day before the date  
22 of the admission of the State into the Union, is entitled  
23 to a Federal benefit payment under the District of Colum-  
24 bia Retirement Protection Act of 1997 (subtitle A of title  
25 XI of the National Capital Revitalization and Self-Govern-

1 ment Improvement Act of 1997; sec. 1–801.01 et seq.,  
2 D.C. Official Code) shall continue to be entitled to such  
3 a payment after the admission of the State into the Union,  
4 in the same manner, to the same extent, and subject to  
5 the same terms and conditions applicable under such Act.

6 (b) OBLIGATIONS OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—Any obligation of the Fed-  
8 eral Government under the District of Columbia Re-  
9 tirement Protection Act of 1997 which exists with  
10 respect to any individual or with respect to the Dis-  
11 trict of Columbia as of the day before the date of  
12 the admission of the State into the Union shall re-  
13 main in effect with respect to such an individual and  
14 with respect to the State after the admission of the  
15 State into the Union, in the same manner, to the  
16 same extent, and subject to the same terms and con-  
17 ditions applicable under such Act.

18 (2) D.C. FEDERAL PENSION FUND.—Any obli-  
19 gation of the Federal Government under chapter 9  
20 of the District of Columbia Retirement Protection  
21 Act of 1997 (sec. 1–817.01 et seq., D.C. Official  
22 Code) with respect to the D.C. Federal Pension  
23 Fund which exists as of the day before the date of  
24 the admission of the State into the Union shall re-  
25 main in effect with respect to such Fund after the

1 admission of the State into the Union, in the same  
2 manner, to the same extent, and subject to the same  
3 terms and conditions applicable under such chapter.

4 (c) OBLIGATIONS OF STATE.—Any obligation of the  
5 District of Columbia under the District of Columbia Re-  
6 tirement Protection Act of 1997 which exists with respect  
7 to any individual or with respect to the Federal Govern-  
8 ment as of the day before the date of the admission of  
9 the State into the Union shall become an obligation of the  
10 State with respect to such an individual and with respect  
11 to the Federal Government after the admission of the  
12 State into the Union, in the same manner, to the same  
13 extent, and subject to the same terms and conditions ap-  
14 plicable under such Act.

15 **SEC. 302. CONTINUATION OF FEDERAL CIVIL SERVICE BEN-**  
16 **EFITS FOR EMPLOYEES FIRST EMPLOYED**  
17 **PRIOR TO ESTABLISHMENT OF DISTRICT OF**  
18 **COLUMBIA MERIT PERSONNEL SYSTEM.**

19 (a) OBLIGATIONS OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.—Any  
20 obligation of the Federal Government under title 5, United  
21 States Code, which exists with respect to an individual de-  
22 scribed in subsection (c) or with respect to the District  
23 of Columbia as of the day before the date of the admission  
24 of the State into the Union shall remain in effect with  
25 respect to such individual and with respect to the State

1 after the admission of the State into the Union, in the  
2 same manner, to the same extent, and subject to the same  
3 terms and conditions applicable under such title.

4 (b) OBLIGATIONS OF STATE.—Any obligation of the  
5 District of Columbia under title 5, United States Code,  
6 which exists with respect to an individual described in sub-  
7 section (c) or with respect to the Federal Government as  
8 of the day before the date of the admission of the State  
9 into the Union shall become an obligation of the State with  
10 respect to such individual and with respect to the Federal  
11 Government after the admission of the State into the  
12 Union, in the same manner, to the same extent, and sub-  
13 ject to the same terms and conditions applicable under  
14 such title.

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

19 **SEC. 303. OBLIGATIONS OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT UNDER**  
20 **JUDGES' RETIREMENT PROGRAM.**

21 (a) CONTINUATION OF OBLIGATIONS.—

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

1 (A) which exists with respect to any indi-  
2 vidual and the District of Columbia as the re-  
3 sult of service accrued prior to the date of the  
4 admission of the State into the Union shall re-  
5 main in effect with respect to such an indi-  
6 vidual and with respect to the State after the  
7 admission of the State into the Union, in the  
8 same manner, to the same extent, and subject  
9 to the same terms and conditions applicable  
10 under such subchapter; and

11 (B) subject to paragraph (2), shall exist  
12 with respect to any individual and the State as  
13 the result of service accrued after the date of  
14 the admission of the State into the Union in the  
15 same manner, to the same extent, and subject  
16 to the same terms and conditions applicable  
17 under such subchapter as such obligation ex-  
18 isted with respect to individuals and the Dis-  
19 trict of Columbia as of the date of the admis-  
20 sion of the State into the Union.

21 (2) TREATMENT OF SERVICE ACCRUED AFTER  
22 TAKING EFFECT OF STATE RETIREMENT PRO-  
23 GRAM.—Subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1) does  
24 not apply to service accrued on or after the termi-  
25 nation date described in subsection (b).



1 (b) TERMINATION DATE.—The termination date de-  
2 scribed in this subsection is the date on which the State  
3 provides written certification to the President that the  
4 State has in effect laws requiring the State to appropriate  
5 and make available funds for the retirement of judges of  
6 the State.

## 7 **Subtitle B—Agencies**

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

9 (a) CONTINUATION OF OPERATIONS AND FUND-  
10 ING.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-  
12 graph (2) and subsection (b), title III of the District  
13 of Columbia Court Reform and Criminal Procedure  
14 Act of 1970 (sec. 2–1601 et seq., D.C. Official  
15 Code) shall apply with respect to the State and to  
16 the public defender service of the State after the  
17 date of the admission of the State into the Union in  
18 the same manner and to the same extent as such  
19 title applied with respect to the District of Columbia  
20 and the District of Columbia Public Defender Serv-  
21 ice as of the day before the date of the admission  
22 of the State into the Union.

23 (2) RESPONSIBILITY FOR EMPLOYER CON-  
24 TRIBUTION.—For purposes of paragraph (2) of sec-  
25 tion 305(c) of such Act (sec. 2–1605(c)(2), D.C. Of-

1        ficial Code), the Federal Government shall be treat-  
2        ed as the employing agency with respect to the bene-  
3        fits provided under such section to an individual who  
4        is an employee of the public defender service of the  
5        State and who, pursuant to section 305(c) of such  
6        Act (sec. 2-1605(c), D.C. Official Code), is treated  
7        as an employee of the Federal Government for pur-  
8        poses of receiving benefits under any chapter of sub-  
9        part G of part III of title 5, United States Code.

10       (b) RENAMING OF SERVICE.—Effective upon the date  
11       of the admission of the State into the Union, the State  
12       may rename the public defender service of the State.

13       (c) CONTINUATION OF FEDERAL BENEFITS FOR EM-  
14       PLOYEES.—

15            (1) IN GENERAL.—Any individual who is an  
16        employee of the public defender service of the State  
17        as of the day before the date described in subsection  
18        (d) and who, pursuant to section 305(c) of the Dis-  
19        trict of Columbia Court Reform and Criminal Proce-  
20        dure Act of 1970 (sec. 2-1605(c), D.C. Official  
21        Code), is treated as an employee of the Federal Gov-  
22        ernment for purposes of receiving benefits under any  
23        chapter of subpart G of part III of title 5, United  
24        States Code, shall continue to be treated as an em-  
25        ployee of the Federal Government for such purposes,

1       notwithstanding the termination of the provisions of  
2       subsection (a) under subsection (d).

3               (2) RESPONSIBILITY FOR EMPLOYER CON-  
4       TRIBUTION.—Beginning on the date described in  
5       subsection (d), the State shall be treated as the em-  
6       ploying agency with respect to the benefits described  
7       in paragraph (1) which are provided to an individual  
8       who, for purposes of receiving such benefits, is con-  
9       tinued to be treated as an employee of the Federal  
10      Government under such paragraph.

11      (d) TERMINATION.—Subsection (a) shall terminate  
12      upon the date on which the State provides written certifi-  
13      cation to the President that the State has in effect laws  
14      requiring the State to appropriate and make available  
15      funds for the operation of the office of the State which  
16      provides the services described in title III of the District  
17      of Columbia Court Reform and Criminal Procedure Act  
18      of 1970 (sec. 2–1601 et seq., D.C. Official Code).

19      **SEC. 312. PROSECUTIONS.**

20      (a) ASSIGNMENT OF ASSISTANT UNITED STATES AT-  
21      TORNEYS.—

22               (1) IN GENERAL.—In accordance with sub-  
23      chapter VI of chapter 33 of title 5, United States  
24      Code, the Attorney General, with the concurrence of  
25      the District of Columbia or the State (as the case

1        may be), shall provide for the assignment of assist-  
2        ant United States attorneys to the State to carry  
3        out the functions described in subsection (b).

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

7            (A) an assistant United States attorney  
8        who is assigned to the State under this section  
9        shall be deemed under subsection (a) of such  
10       section to be on detail to a regular work assign-  
11       ment in the Department of Justice; and

12           (B) the assignment of an assistant United  
13       States attorney to the State under this section  
14       shall be made without reimbursement by the  
15       State of the pay of the attorney or any related  
16       expenses.

17        (b) FUNCTIONS DESCRIBED.—The functions de-  
18       scribed in this subsection are criminal prosecutions con-  
19       ducted in the name of the State which would have been  
20       conducted in the name of the United States by the United  
21       States attorney for the District of Columbia or his or her  
22       assistants, as provided under section 23–101(c), District  
23       of Columbia Official Code, but for the admission of the  
24       State into the Union.

1           (c) MINIMUM NUMBER ASSIGNED.—The number of  
2 assistant United States attorneys who are assigned under  
3 this section may not be less than the number of assistant  
4 United States attorneys whose principal duties as of the  
5 day before the date of the admission of the State into the  
6 Union were to conduct criminal prosecutions in the name  
7 of the United States under section 23–101(c), District of  
8 Columbia Official Code.

9           (d) TERMINATION.—The obligation of the Attorney  
10 General to provide for the assignment of assistant United  
11 States attorneys under this section shall terminate upon  
12 written certification by the State to the President that the  
13 State has appointed attorneys of the State to carry out  
14 the functions described in subsection (b).

15           (e) CLARIFICATION REGARDING CLEMENCY AU-  
16 THORITY.—

17           (1) IN GENERAL.—Effective upon the admission  
18 of the State into the Union, the authority to grant  
19 clemency for offenses against the District of Colum-  
20 bia or the State shall be exercised by such person or  
21 persons, and under such terms and conditions, as  
22 provided by the State Constitution and the laws of  
23 the State, without regard to whether the prosecution  
24 for the offense was conducted by the District of Co-  
25 lumbia, the State, or the United States.

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

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

6           (a) PROVISION OF SERVICES FOR COURTS OF  
7 STATE.—The United States Marshals Service shall pro-  
8 vide services with respect to the courts and court system  
9 of the State in the same manner and to the same extent  
10 as the Service provided services with respect to the courts  
11 and court system of the District of Columbia as of the  
12 day before the date of the admission of the State into the  
13 Union, except that the President shall not appoint a  
14 United States Marshal under section 561 of title 28,  
15 United States Code, for any court of the State.

16           (b) TERMINATION.—The obligation of the United  
17 States Marshals Service to provide services under this sec-  
18 tion shall terminate upon written certification by the State  
19 to the President that the State has appointed personnel  
20 of the State to provide such services.

21 **SEC. 314. DESIGNATION OF FELONS TO FACILITIES OF BU-**  
22 **REAU OF PRISONS.**

23           (a) CONTINUATION OF DESIGNATION.—Chapter 1 of  
24 subtitle C of title XI of the National Capital Revitalization  
25 and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997 (sec. 24—

1 101 et seq., D.C. Official Code) and the amendments  
2 made by such chapter—

3 (1) shall continue to apply with respect to indi-  
4 viduals convicted of offenses under the laws of the  
5 District of Columbia prior to the date of the admis-  
6 sion of the State into the Union; and

7 (2) shall apply with respect to individuals con-  
8 victed of offenses under the laws of the State after  
9 the date of the admission of the State into the  
10 Union in the same manner and to the same extent  
11 as such chapter and amendments applied with re-  
12 spect to individuals convicted of offenses under the  
13 laws of the District of Columbia prior to the date of  
14 the admission of the State into the Union.

15 (b) TERMINATION.—The provisions of this section  
16 shall terminate upon written certification by the State to  
17 the President that the State has in effect laws for the  
18 housing of individuals described in subsection (a) in cor-  
19 rectional facilities.

20 **SEC. 315. PAROLE AND SUPERVISION.**

21 (a) UNITED STATES PAROLE COMMISSION.—

22 (1) PAROLE.—The United States Parole Com-  
23 mission—

24 (A) shall continue to exercise the authority  
25 to grant, deny, and revoke parole, and to im-

1 pose conditions upon an order of parole, in the  
2 case of any individual who is an imprisoned  
3 felon who is eligible for parole or reparole under  
4 the laws of the District of Columbia as of the  
5 day before the date of the admission of the  
6 State into the Union, as provided under section  
7 11231 of the National Capital Revitalization  
8 and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997  
9 (sec. 24–131, D.C. Official Code); and

10 (B) shall exercise the authority to grant,  
11 deny, and revoke parole, and to impose condi-  
12 tions upon an order of parole, in the case of  
13 any individual who is an imprisoned felon who  
14 is eligible for parole or reparole under the laws  
15 of the State in the same manner and to the  
16 same extent as the Commission exercised in the  
17 case of any individual described in subpara-  
18 graph (A).

19 (2) SUPERVISION OF RELEASED OFFENDERS.—

20 The United States Parole Commission—

21 (A) shall continue to exercise the authority  
22 over individuals who are released offenders of  
23 the District of Columbia as of the day before  
24 the date of the admission of the State into the  
25 Union, as provided under section 11233(e)(2)



1 of the National Capital Revitalization and Self-  
2 Government Improvement Act of 1997 (sec.  
3 24–133(c)(2), D.C. Official Code); and

4 (B) shall exercise authority over individ-  
5 uals who are released offenders of the State in  
6 the same manner and to the same extent as the  
7 Commission exercised authority over individuals  
8 described in subparagraph (A).

9 (3) CONTINUATION OF FEDERAL BENEFITS FOR  
10 EMPLOYEES.—

11 (A) CONTINUATION.—Any individual who  
12 is an employee of the United States Parole  
13 Commission as of the later of the day before  
14 the date described in subparagraph (A) of para-  
15 graph (4) or the day before the date described  
16 in subparagraph (B) of paragraph (4) and who,  
17 on or after such date, is an employee of the of-  
18 fice of the State which exercises the authority  
19 described in either such subparagraph, shall  
20 continue to be treated as an employee of the  
21 Federal Government for purposes of receiving  
22 benefits under any chapter of subpart G of part  
23 III of title 5, United States Code, notwith-  
24 standing the termination of the provisions of  
25 this subsection under paragraph (4).

1           (B) RESPONSIBILITY FOR EMPLOYER CON-  
2           TRIBUTION.—Beginning on the later of the date  
3           described in subparagraph (A) of paragraph (4)  
4           or the date described in subparagraph (B) of  
5           paragraph (4), the State shall be treated as the  
6           employing agency with respect to the benefits  
7           described in subparagraph (A) which are pro-  
8           vided to an individual who, for purposes of re-  
9           ceiving such benefits, is continued to be treated  
10          as an employee of the Federal Government  
11          under such subparagraph.

12          (4) TERMINATION.—The provisions of this sub-  
13          section shall terminate—

14                (A) in the case of paragraph (1), on the  
15                date on which the State provides written certifi-  
16                cation to the President that the State has in ef-  
17                fect laws providing for the State to exercise the  
18                authority to grant, deny, and revoke parole, and  
19                to impose conditions upon an order of parole, in  
20                the case of any individual who is an imprisoned  
21                felon who is eligible for parole or reparole under  
22                the laws of the State; and

23                (B) in the case of paragraph (2), on the  
24                date on which the State provides written certifi-  
25                cation to the President that the State has in ef-

1           fect laws providing for the State to exercise au-  
2           thority over individuals who are released offend-  
3           ers of the State.

4           (b) COURT SERVICES AND OFFENDER SUPERVISION  
5 AGENCY.—

6           (1) RENAMING.—Effective upon the date of the  
7           admission of the State into the Union—

8                   (A) the Court Services and Offender Su-  
9                   pervision Agency for the District of Columbia  
10                   shall be known and designated as the Court  
11                   Services and Offender Supervision Agency for  
12                   Washington, Douglass Commonwealth, and any  
13                   reference in any law, rule, or regulation to the  
14                   Court Services and Offender Supervision Agen-  
15                   cy for the District of Columbia shall be deemed  
16                   to refer to the Court Services and Offender Su-  
17                   pervision Agency for Washington, Douglass  
18                   Commonwealth; and

19                   (B) the District of Columbia Pretrial Serv-  
20                   ices Agency shall be known and designated as  
21                   the Washington, Douglass Commonwealth Pre-  
22                   trial Services Agency, and any reference in any  
23                   law, rule or regulation to the District of Colum-  
24                   bia Pretrial Services Agency shall be deemed to

1 refer to the Washington, Douglass Common-  
2 wealth Pretrial Services Agency.

3 (2) IN GENERAL.—The Court Services and Of-  
4 fender Supervision Agency for Washington, Doug-  
5 lass Commonwealth, including the Washington,  
6 Douglass Commonwealth Pretrial Services Agency  
7 (as renamed under paragraph (1))—

8 (A) shall continue to provide pretrial serv-  
9 ices with respect to individuals who are charged  
10 with an offense in the District of Columbia,  
11 provide supervision for individuals who are of-  
12 fenders on probation, parole, and supervised re-  
13 lease pursuant to the laws of the District of Co-  
14 lumbia, and carry out sex offender registration  
15 functions with respect to individuals who are  
16 sex offenders in the District of Columbia, as of  
17 the day before the date of the admission of the  
18 State into the Union, as provided under section  
19 11233 of the National Capital Revitalization  
20 and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997  
21 (sec. 24–133, D.C. Official Code); and

22 (B) shall provide pretrial services with re-  
23 spect to individuals who are charged with an of-  
24 fense in the State, provide supervision for of-  
25 fenders on probation, parole, and supervised re-

1            lease pursuant to the laws of the State, and  
2            carry out sex offender registration functions in  
3            the State, in the same manner and to the same  
4            extent as the Agency provided such services and  
5            supervision and carried out such functions for  
6            individuals described in subparagraph (A).

7            (3) CONTINUATION OF FEDERAL BENEFITS FOR  
8            EMPLOYEES.—

9                    (A) CONTINUATION.—Any individual who  
10            is an employee of the Court Services and Of-  
11            fender Supervision Agency for Washington,  
12            Douglass Commonwealth as of the day before  
13            the date described in paragraph (4), and who,  
14            on or after such date, is an employee of the of-  
15            fice of the State which provides the services and  
16            carries out the functions described in paragraph  
17            (4), shall continue to be treated as an employee  
18            of the Federal Government for purposes of re-  
19            ceiving benefits under any chapter of subpart G  
20            of part III of title 5, United States Code, not-  
21            withstanding the termination of the provisions  
22            of paragraph (2) under paragraph (4).

23                    (B) RESPONSIBILITY FOR EMPLOYER CON-  
24            TRIBUTION.—Beginning on the date described  
25            in paragraph (4), the State shall be treated as

1           the employing agency with respect to the bene-  
2           fits described in subparagraph (A) which are  
3           provided to an individual who, for purposes of  
4           receiving such benefits, is continued to be treat-  
5           ed as an employee of the Federal Government  
6           under such subparagraph.

7           (4) TERMINATION.—Paragraph (2) shall termi-  
8           nate on the date on which the State provides written  
9           certification to the President that the State has in  
10          effect laws providing for the State to provide pretrial  
11          services, supervise offenders on probation, parole,  
12          and supervised release, and carry out sex offender  
13          registration functions in the State.

14 **SEC. 316. COURTS.**

15          (a) CONTINUATION OF OPERATIONS.—

16               (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-  
17               graphs (2) and (3) and subsection (b), title 11, Dis-  
18               trict of Columbia Official Code, as in effect on the  
19               day before the date of the admission of the State  
20               into the Union, shall apply with respect to the State  
21               and the courts and court system 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 title applied with respect to the District of  
25               Columbia and the courts and court system of the

1 District of Columbia as of the day before the date  
2 of the admission of the State into the Union.

3 (2) RESPONSIBILITY FOR EMPLOYER CON-  
4 TRIBUTION.—For purposes of paragraph (2) of sec-  
5 tion 11–1726(b) and paragraph (2) of section 11–  
6 1726(c), District of Columbia Official Code, the  
7 Federal Government shall be treated as the employ-  
8 ing agency with respect to the benefits provided  
9 under such section to an individual who is an em-  
10 ployee of the courts and court system of the State  
11 and who, pursuant to either such paragraph, is  
12 treated as an employee of the Federal Government  
13 for purposes of receiving benefits under any chapter  
14 of subpart G of part III of title 5, United States  
15 Code.

16 (3) OTHER EXCEPTIONS.—

17 (A) SELECTION OF JUDGES.—Effective  
18 upon the date of the admission of the State into  
19 the Union, the State shall select judges for any  
20 vacancy on the courts of the State.

21 (B) RENAMING OF COURTS AND OTHER  
22 OFFICES.—Effective upon the date of the ad-  
23 mission of the State into the Union, the State  
24 may rename any of its courts and any of the  
25 other offices of its court system.

1 (C) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing  
2 in this paragraph shall be construed—

3 (i) to affect the service of any judge  
4 serving on a court of the District of Co-  
5 lumbia on the day before the date of the  
6 admission of the State into the Union, or  
7 to require the State to select such a judge  
8 for a vacancy on a court of the State; or

9 (ii) to waive any of the requirements  
10 of chapter 15 of title 11, District of Co-  
11 lumbia Official Code (other than section  
12 11–1501(a) of such Code), including sub-  
13 chapter II of such chapter (relating to the  
14 District of Columbia Commission on Judi-  
15 cial Disabilities and Tenure), with respect  
16 to the appointment and service of judges of  
17 the courts of the State.

18 (b) CONTINUATION OF FEDERAL BENEFITS FOR EM-  
19 PLOYEES.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—Any individual who is an  
21 employee of the courts or court system of the State  
22 as of the day before the date described in subsection  
23 (e) and who, pursuant to section 11–1726(b) or sec-  
24 tion 11–1726(c), District of Columbia Official Code,  
25 is treated as an employee of the Federal Government



1 for purposes of receiving benefits under any chapter  
2 of subpart G of part III of title 5, United States  
3 Code, shall continue to be treated as an employee of  
4 the Federal Government for such purposes, notwith-  
5 standing the termination of the provisions of this  
6 section under subsection (e).

7 (2) RESPONSIBILITY FOR EMPLOYER CON-  
8 TRIBUTION.—Beginning on the date described in  
9 subsection (e), the State shall be treated as the em-  
10 ploying agency with respect to the benefits described  
11 in paragraph (1) which are provided to an individual  
12 who, for purposes of receiving such benefits, is con-  
13 tinued to be treated as an employee of the Federal  
14 Government under such paragraph.

15 (c) CONTINUATION OF FUNDING.—Section 11241 of  
16 the National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government  
17 Improvement Act of 1997 (section 11–1743 note, District  
18 of Columbia Official Code) shall apply with respect to the  
19 State and the courts and court system of the State after  
20 the date of the admission of the State into the Union in  
21 the same manner and to the same extent as such section  
22 applied with respect to the Joint Committee on Judicial  
23 Administration in the District of Columbia and the courts  
24 and court system of the District of Columbia as of the

1 day before the date of the admission of the State into the  
2 Union.

3 (d) TREATMENT OF COURT RECEIPTS.—

4 (1) DEPOSIT OF RECEIPTS INTO TREASURY.—

5 Except as provided in paragraph (2), all money re-  
6 ceived by the courts and court system of the State  
7 shall be deposited in the Treasury of the United  
8 States.

9 (2) CRIME VICTIMS COMPENSATION FUND.—

10 Section 16 of the Victims of Violent Crime Com-  
11 pensation Act of 1996 (sec. 4–515, D.C. Official  
12 Code), relating to the Crime Victims Compensation  
13 Fund, shall apply with respect to the courts and  
14 court system of the State in the same manner and  
15 to the same extent as such section applied to the  
16 courts and court system of the District of Columbia  
17 as of the day before the date of the admission of the  
18 State into the Union.

19 (e) TERMINATION.—The provisions of this section,  
20 other than paragraph (3) of subsection (a) and except as  
21 provided under subsection (b), shall terminate on the date  
22 on which the State provides written certification to the  
23 President that the State has in effect laws requiring the  
24 State to appropriate and make available funds for the op-  
25 eration of the courts and court system of the State.

1     **Subtitle C—Other Programs and**  
2                   **Authorities**

3     **SEC. 321. APPLICATION OF THE COLLEGE ACCESS ACT.**

4           (a) CONTINUATION.—The District of Columbia Col-  
5 lege Access Act of 1999 (Public Law 106–98; sec. 38–  
6 2701 et seq., D.C. Official Code) shall apply with respect  
7 to the State, and to the public institution of higher edu-  
8 cation designated by the State as the successor to the Uni-  
9 versity of the District of Columbia, after the date of the  
10 admission of the State into the Union in the same manner  
11 and to the same extent as such Act applied with respect  
12 to the District of Columbia and the University of the Dis-  
13 trict of Columbia as of the day before the date of the ad-  
14 mission of the State into the Union.

15           (b) TERMINATION.—The provisions of this section,  
16 other than with respect to the public institution of higher  
17 education designated by the State as the successor to the  
18 University of the District of Columbia, shall terminate  
19 upon written certification by the State to the President  
20 that the State has in effect laws requiring the State to  
21 provide tuition assistance substantially similar to the as-  
22 sistance provided under the District of Columbia College  
23 Access Act of 1999.

1 **SEC. 322. APPLICATION OF THE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR OP-**  
2 **PORTUNITY AND RESULTS ACT.**

3 (a) CONTINUATION.—The Scholarships for Oppor-  
4 tunity and Results Act (division C of Public Law 112–  
5 10; sec. 38–1853.01 et seq., D.C. Official Code) shall  
6 apply with respect to the State after the date of the admis-  
7 sion of the State into the Union in the same manner and  
8 to the same extent as such Act applied with respect to  
9 the District of Columbia as of the day before the date of  
10 the admission of the State into the Union.

11 (b) TERMINATION.—The provisions of this section  
12 shall terminate upon written certification by the State to  
13 the President that the State has in effect laws requiring  
14 the State—

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

18 (2) to provide supplemental funds to the public  
19 schools and public charter schools of the State in the  
20 amounts provided in the most recent fiscal year for  
21 public schools and public charter schools of the State  
22 or the District of Columbia (as the case may be)  
23 under such Act.

1 **SEC. 323. MEDICAID FEDERAL MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PER-**  
2 **CENTAGE.**

3 (a) CONTINUATION.—Notwithstanding section  
4 1905(b) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396d(b)),  
5 during the period beginning on the date of the admission  
6 of the State into the Union and ending on September 30  
7 of the fiscal year during which the State submits the cer-  
8 tification described in subsection (b), the Federal medical  
9 assistance percentage for the State under title XIX of  
10 such Act shall be the Federal medical assistance percent-  
11 age for the District of Columbia under such title as of  
12 the day before the date of the admission of the State into  
13 the Union.

14 (b) TERMINATION.—The certification described in  
15 this subsection is a written certification by the State to  
16 the President that, during each of the first 5 fiscal years  
17 beginning after the date of the certification, the estimated  
18 revenues of the State will be sufficient to cover any reduc-  
19 tion in revenues which may result from the termination  
20 of the provisions of this section.

21 **SEC. 324. FEDERAL PLANNING COMMISSIONS.**

22 (a) NATIONAL CAPITAL PLANNING COMMISSION.—

23 (1) CONTINUING APPLICATION.—Subject to the  
24 amendments made by paragraphs (2) and (3), upon  
25 the admission of the State into the Union, chapter

1       87 of title 40, United States Code, shall apply as  
2 follows:

3               (A) Such chapter shall apply with respect  
4 to the Capital in the same manner and to the  
5 same extent as such chapter applied with re-  
6 spect to the District of Columbia as of the day  
7 before the date of the admission of the State  
8 into the Union.

9               (B) Such chapter shall apply with respect  
10 to the State in the same manner and to the  
11 same extent as such chapter applied with re-  
12 spect to the State of Maryland and the Com-  
13 monwealth of Virginia as of the day before the  
14 date of the admission of the State into the  
15 Union.

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

19               (A) by amending subparagraph (B) of  
20 paragraph (1) to read as follows:

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

24               (B) by amending paragraph (2) to read as  
25 follows:

1           “(2) RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT.—Of the four  
2 citizen members, one shall be a resident of Virginia,  
3 one shall be a resident of Maryland, and one shall  
4 be a resident of Washington, Douglass Common-  
5 wealth.”.

6           (3) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS TO DEFINI-  
7 TIONS OF TERMS.—

8           (A) ENVIRONS.—Paragraph (1) of section  
9 8702 of such title is amended by striking “the  
10 territory surrounding the District of Columbia”  
11 and inserting “the territory surrounding the  
12 National Capital”.

13           (B) NATIONAL CAPITAL.—Paragraph (2)  
14 of section 8702 of such title is amended to read  
15 as follows:

16           “(2) NATIONAL CAPITAL.—The term ‘National  
17 Capital’ means the area serving as the seat of the  
18 Government of the United States, as described in  
19 section 112 of the Washington, D.C. Admission Act,  
20 and the territory the Federal Government owns in  
21 the environs.”.

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

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

3                   (b) COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS.—

4                   (1) LIMITING APPLICATION TO THE CAPITAL.—

5                   Section 9102(a)(1) of title 40, United States Code,  
6                   is amended by striking “the District of Columbia”  
7                   and inserting “the Capital”.

8                   (2) DEFINITION.—Section 9102 of such title is  
9                   amended by adding at the end the following new  
10                  subsection:

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

15                  (3) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section

16                  9101(d) of such title is amended by striking “the  
17                  District of Columbia” and inserting “the Capital”.

18                  (c) COMMEMORATIVE WORKS ACT.—

19                  (1) LIMITING APPLICATION TO CAPITAL.—Sec-

20                  tion 8902 of title 40, United States Code, is amend-  
21                  ed by adding at the end the following new sub-  
22                  section:

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



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

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

5                   “(A) the area serving as the seat of the  
6                   Government of the United States, as described  
7                   in section 112 of the Washington, D.C. Admis-  
8                   sion Act; and

9                   “(B) those lands and properties adminis-  
10                  tered by the National Park Service and the  
11                  General Services Administration located in the  
12                  Reserve, Area I, and Area II as depicted on the  
13                  map entitled ‘Commemorative Areas Wash-  
14                  ington, DC and Environs’, numbered 869/  
15                  86501 B, and dated June 24, 2003, that are lo-  
16                  cated outside of the State of Washington,  
17                  Douglass Commonwealth.”.

18           (3) TEMPORARY SITE DESIGNATION.—Section  
19           8907(a) of such title is amended by striking “the  
20           District of Columbia” and inserting “the Capital  
21           and its environs”.

22           (4) GENERAL CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—  
23           Chapter 89 of such title is amended by striking “the  
24           District of Columbia and its environs” each place it

1 appears in the following sections and inserting “the  
2 Capital and its environs”:

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

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

5 (C) Section 8903(d).

6 (D) Section 8904(e).

7 (E) Section 8905(a).

8 (F) Section 8906(a).

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

10 (5) ADDITIONAL CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—

11 Section 8901(2) of such title is amended by striking  
12 “the urban fabric of the District of Columbia” and  
13 inserting “the urban fabric of the area serving as  
14 the seat of the Government of the United States, as  
15 described in section 112 of the Washington, D.C.  
16 Admission Act”.

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

20 **SEC. 325. ROLE OF ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS IN SUP-**  
21 **PLYING WATER.**

22 (a) CONTINUATION OF ROLE.—Chapter 95 of title  
23 40, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end  
24 the following new section:

1 **“§ 9508. Applicability to Capital and State of Wash-**  
2 **ington, Douglass Commonwealth**

3 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Effective upon the admission of  
4 the State of Washington, Douglass Commonwealth into  
5 the Union, any reference in this chapter to the District  
6 of Columbia shall be deemed to refer to the Capital or  
7 the State of Washington, Douglass Commonwealth, as the  
8 case may be.

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

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

“9508. Applicability to Capital and State of Washington, Douglass Common-  
wealth.”.

16 **SEC. 326. REQUIREMENTS TO BE LOCATED IN DISTRICT OF**  
17 **COLUMBIA.**

18 The location of any person in the Capital or Wash-  
19 ington, Douglass Commonwealth on the day after the date  
20 of the admission of the State into the Union shall be  
21 deemed to satisfy any requirement under any law in effect  
22 as of the day before the date of the admission of the State  
23 into the Union that the person be located in the District  
24 of Columbia, including the requirements of section 72 of

1 title 4, United States Code (relating to offices of the seat  
2 of the Government of the United States), and title 36,  
3 United States Code (relating to patriotic and national or-  
4 ganizations).

## 5 **TITLE IV—GENERAL** 6 **PROVISIONS**

### 7 **SEC. 401. GENERAL DEFINITIONS.**

8 In this Act, the following definitions shall apply:

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

12 (2) The term “Council” means the Council of  
13 the District of Columbia.

14 (3) The term “Mayor” means the Mayor of the  
15 District of Columbia.

16 (4) Except as otherwise provided, the term  
17 “State” means the State of Washington, Douglass  
18 Commonwealth.

19 (5) The term “State Constitution” means the  
20 proposed Constitution of the State of Washington,  
21 D.C., as approved by the Council on October 18,  
22 2016, pursuant to the Constitution and Boundaries  
23 for the State of Washington, D.C. Approval Resolu-  
24 tion of 2016 (D.C. Resolution R21–621), ratified by  
25 District of Columbia voters in Advisory Referendum

1 B approved on November 8, 2016, and certified by  
2 the District of Columbia Board of Elections on No-  
3 vember 18, 2016.

4 **SEC. 402. STATEHOOD TRANSITION COMMISSION.**

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

8 (b) COMPOSITION.—

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

11 (A) Three members appointed by the  
12 President.

13 (B) Two members appointed by the Speak-  
14 er of the House of Representatives.

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

17 (D) Two members appointed by the Major-  
18 ity Leader of the Senate.

19 (E) Two members appointed by the Minor-  
20 ity Leader of the Senate.

21 (F) Three members appointed by the  
22 Mayor.

23 (G) Three members appointed by the  
24 Council.

1           (H) The Chief Financial Officer of the  
2 District of Columbia.

3           (2) APPOINTMENT DATE.—

4           (A) IN GENERAL.—The appointments of  
5 the members of the Commission shall be made  
6 not later than 90 days after the date of the en-  
7 actment of this Act.

8           (B) EFFECT OF LACK OF APPOINTMENT  
9 BY APPOINTMENT DATE.—If one or more ap-  
10 pointments under any of the subparagraphs of  
11 paragraph (1) is not made by the appointment  
12 date specified in subparagraph (A), the author-  
13 ity to make such appointment or appointments  
14 shall expire, and the number of members of the  
15 Commission shall be reduced by the number  
16 equal to the number of appointments so not  
17 made.

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

20           (4) VACANCY.—A vacancy in the Commission  
21 shall be filled in the manner in which the original  
22 appointment was made.

23           (5) NO COMPENSATION.—Members shall serve  
24 without pay, but shall receive travel expenses, in-  
25 cluding per diem in lieu of subsistence, in accord-

1       ance with applicable provisions under subchapter I  
2       of chapter 57 of title 5, United States Code.

3               (6) CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR.—The Chair and  
4       Vice Chair of the Commission shall be elected by the  
5       members of the Commission—

6                       (A) with respect to the Chair, from among  
7       the members described in subparagraphs (A)  
8       through (E) of paragraph (1); and

9                       (B) with respect to the Vice Chair, from  
10      among the members described in subparagraphs  
11      (F) and (G) of paragraph (1).

12      (c) STAFF.—

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

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

18               (3) NON-APPLICABILITY OF CERTAIN CIVIL  
19      SERVICE LAWS.—The Director and staff of the Com-  
20      mission may be appointed without regard to the pro-  
21      visions of title 5, United States Code, governing ap-  
22      pointments in the competitive service, and may be  
23      paid without regard to the provisions of chapter 51  
24      and subchapter III of chapter 53 of that title relat-  
25      ing to classification and General Schedule pay rates,

1       except that an individual so appointed may not re-  
2       ceive pay in excess of the rate payable for level V  
3       of the Executive Schedule under section 5316 of  
4       such title.

5           (4) EXPERTS AND CONSULTANTS.—The Com-  
6       mission may procure temporary and intermittent  
7       services under section 3109(b) of title 5, United  
8       States Code, at rates for individuals not to exceed  
9       the daily equivalent of the rate payable for level V  
10      of the Executive Schedule under section 5316 of  
11      such title.

12      (d) DUTIES.—The Commission shall advise the Presi-  
13      dent, Congress, the Mayor (or, upon the admission of the  
14      State into the Union, the chief executive officer of the  
15      State), and the Council (or, upon the admission of the  
16      State into the Union, the legislature of the State) con-  
17      cerning an orderly transition to statehood for the District  
18      of Columbia or the State (as the case may be) and to a  
19      reduced geographical size of the seat of the Government  
20      of the United States, including with respect to property,  
21      funding, programs, projects, and activities.

22      (e) POWERS.—

23           (1) HEARINGS AND SESSIONS.—The Commis-  
24      sion may, for the purpose of carrying out this Act,  
25      hold hearings, sit and act at times and places, take



1 testimony, and receive evidence as the Commission  
2 considers appropriate.

3 (2) OBTAINING OFFICIAL DATA.—The Commis-  
4 sion may secure directly from any department or  
5 agency of the United States information necessary  
6 to enable it to carry out this Act. Upon request of  
7 the Chair of the Commission, the head of that de-  
8 partment or agency shall furnish that information to  
9 the Commission.

10 (3) MAILS.—The Commission may use the  
11 United States mails in the same manner and under  
12 the same conditions as other departments and agen-  
13 cies of the United States.

14 (4) ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES.—  
15 Upon the request of the Commission, the Adminis-  
16 trator of General Services shall provide to the Com-  
17 mission the administrative support services nec-  
18 essary for the Commission to carry out its respon-  
19 sibilities under this Act.

20 (f) MEETINGS.—

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

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

1 (A) 30 days after the date on which all  
2 members of the Commission have been ap-  
3 pointed; or

4 (B) if the number of members of the Com-  
5 mission is reduced under subsection (b)(2)(B),  
6 90 days after the date of the enactment of this  
7 Act.

8 (3) QUORUM.—A majority of the members of  
9 the Commission shall constitute a quorum, but a  
10 lesser number of members may hold hearings.

11 (g) REPORTS.—The Commission shall submit such  
12 reports as the Commission considers appropriate or as  
13 may be requested by the President, Congress, or the Dis-  
14 trict of Columbia (or, upon the admission of the State into  
15 the Union, the State).

16 (h) TERMINATION.—The Commission shall cease to  
17 exist 2 years after the date of the admission of the State  
18 into the Union.

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

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

23 **SEC. 404. SEVERABILITY.**

24 Except as provided in section 101(c), if any provision  
25 of this Act or amendment made by this Act, or the applica-

1 tion thereof to any person or circumstance, is held to be  
2 invalid, the remaining provisions of this Act and any  
3 amendments made by this Act shall not be affected by the  
4 holding.