

¶139.10 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
REAUTHORIZATION

Mr. WAXMAN moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 3505) to amend the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Right Act to modify certain provisions relating to programs for individuals with developmental disabilities, Federal assistance for priority area activities for individuals with developmental disabilities, protection and advocacy of individual rights, university affiliated programs, and projects of national significance, and for other purposes; as amended.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. MONTGOMERY, recognized Mr. WAXMAN and Mr. BLILEY, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House suspend the rules and pass said bill, as amended?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. MONTGOMERY, announced that two-thirds of the Members present had voted in the affirmative.

So, two-thirds of the Members present having voted in favor thereof, the rules were suspended and said bill, as amended, was passed.

On motion of Mr. WAXMAN, by unanimous consent, the Committee on Energy and Commerce was discharged from further consideration of the bill of Senate (S. 1284) to amend the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act to expand or modify certain provisions relating to programs for certain individuals with developmental disabilities, Federal assistance for priority area activities for individuals with developmental disabilities, protection and advocacy of individual rights, university affiliated programs, and projects of national significance, and for other purposes.

When said bill was considered and read twice.

Mr. WAXMAN submitted the following amendment, which was agreed to:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the provisions of H.R. 3505, as passed by the House.

The bill, as amended, was ordered to be read a third time, was read a third time by title, and passed.

By unanimous consent, the title was amended so as to read: "An Act to amend the Development Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act to modify certain provisions relating to programs for individuals with developmental disabilities, Federal assistance for priority area activities for individuals with developmental disabilities, protection and advocacy of individual rights, university affiliated programs, and projects of national significance, and for other purposes."

A motion to reconsider the votes whereby said bill, as amended, was passed and the title was amended was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in said amendments.

By unanimous consent, H.R. 3505, a similar House bill, was laid on the table.

¶139.11 D.C. STATEHOOD

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. MONTGOMERY, pursuant to House Resolution 316 and rule XXIII, declared the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 51) to provide for the admission of the State of New Columbia into the Union.

Mr. MFUME, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole, resumed the chair; and after some time spent therein,

The SPEAKER assumed the Chair.

When Mr. MFUME, Chairman, pursuant to House Resolution 316, reported the bill back to the House with an amendment adopted by the Committee.

The previous question having been ordered by said resolution.

The following amendment, reported from the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, was agreed to:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the "New Columbia Admission Act".

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

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

TITLE I—STATE OF NEW COLUMBIA

Subtitle A—Procedures for Admission

Sec. 101. Admission into the union.

Sec. 102. Process for admission.

Sec. 103. Election of officials of State.

Sec. 104. Issuance of presidential proclamation.

Subtitle B—Description of New Columbia Territory

Sec. 111. Territories and boundaries of New Columbia.

Sec. 112. Description of District of Columbia after admission of State.

Sec. 113. Continuation of title to lands and property.

Subtitle C—General Provisions Relating to Laws of New Columbia

Sec. 121. Limitation on authority of State to tax Federal property.

Sec. 122. Effect of admission of State on current laws.

Sec. 123. Continuation of judicial proceedings.

Sec. 124. United States nationality.

TITLE II—RESPONSIBILITIES AND INTERESTS OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Sec. 201. Continuation of revised District of Columbia as seat of Federal government.

Sec. 202. Treatment of military lands.

Sec. 203. Payment to State in lieu of tax.

Sec. 204. Waiver of claims to Federal lands and property.

Sec. 205. Preservation of scenic vistas.

Sec. 206. Permitting individuals residing in new seat of government to vote in Federal elections in State of most recent domicile.

Sec. 207. Repeal of law providing for participation of District of Columbia in election of President and Vice-President.

Sec. 208. Expedited consideration of constitutional amendment.

TITLE III—GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 301. General definitions.

Sec. 302. Certification of enactment by president.

Sec. 303. Statehood Transition Commission.

TITLE I—STATE OF NEW COLUMBIA

Subtitle A—Procedures for Admission

SEC. 101. ADMISSION INTO THE UNION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to the provisions of this Act, upon issuance of the proclamation required by section 104(b), the State of New Columbia is declared to be a State of the United States of America, and is declared admitted into the Union on an equal footing with the other States in all respects whatever.

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

SEC. 102. PROCESS FOR ADMISSION.

(a) APPROVAL OF ADMISSION BY VOTERS OF DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.—

(1) ELECTION PROCEDURES.—At an election designated by proclamation of the Mayor, which may be the primary or the general election held pursuant to section 103(a), a general election, or a special election, there shall be submitted to the electors qualified to vote in such election the following propositions for adoption or rejection:

"(A) New Columbia shall immediately be admitted into the Union as a State.

"(B) The proposed Constitution for the State of New Columbia, as adopted by the Council of the District of Columbia pursuant to the Constitution for the State of New Columbia Approval Act of 1987 (D.C. Law 7-8), shall be deemed ratified and shall replace the Constitution for the State of New Columbia ratified on November 2, 1982.

"(C) The boundaries of the State of New Columbia shall be as prescribed in the New Columbia Admission Act.

"(D) All provisions of the New Columbia Admission Act, including provisions reserving rights or powers to the United States and provisions prescribing the terms or conditions of the grants of lands or other property made to the State of New Columbia, are consented to fully by the State and its people."

(2) RESPONSIBILITIES OF MAYOR.—The Mayor of the District of Columbia is authorized and directed to take such action as may be necessary or appropriate to ensure the submission of such propositions to the people. The return of the votes cast on such propositions shall be made by the election officers directly to the Board of Elections of the District of Columbia, which shall certify the results of the submission to the Mayor. The Mayor shall certify the results of such submission to the President of the United States.

(b) EFFECT OF VOTE.—

(1) ADOPTION OF PROPOSITIONS.—In the event the propositions described in subsection (a) are adopted in an election under such subsection by a majority of the legal votes cast on such submission—

(A) the State Constitution shall be deemed ratified; and

(B) the President shall issue a proclamation pursuant to section 104.

(2) REJECTION OF PROPOSITION.—In the event any one of the propositions described in subsection (a) is not adopted in an election under such subsection by a majority of the legal votes cast on such submission, the provisions of this Act shall cease to be effective.

SEC. 103. ELECTION OF OFFICIALS OF STATE.

(a) ISSUANCE OF PROCLAMATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not more than 30 days after receiving certification of the enactment of this Act from the President pursu-