

SB-32

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IN THE SENATE OF THE AMERICAN LEGION BOYS NATION

Mr. Baryal of District Of Columbia introduced the following bill;

A BILL

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Be it enacted by The American Legion Boys Nation Senate assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "SECTION 1: D.C. Statehood".

SECTION 2. Purpose and Findings

(a) The purpose of this legislation is to grant statehood to the District of Columbia (hereinafter referred to as "the District") and provide its residents with full voting representation in the Congress of the United States.

(b) The District, as the nation's capital, is home to hundreds of thousands of American citizens who are subject to federal laws and taxation but lack the equal representation enjoyed by residents of the states. This denial of full democratic rights violates the principles of fairness, equality, and democratic

governance that are fundamental to our nation.

SECTION 3. Representation in Congress

(a) The State of Washington, D.C. shall be specified for full and equal representation in the United States Congress.

(b) The State of Washington, D.C. shall be handed two Senators and one voting member in the House of Representatives, with all the rights and privileges given to the Senators and Representatives from other states.

(c) The voting member of the House of Representatives shall be elected by the eligible voters living in Washington, D.C. in accordance with the laws and regulations set in place for congressional elections.

SECTION 4: Implementations and Transition

(a) The Congress of the United States shall establish a Transition Commission responsible for overseeing the transition of the District of Columbia into the State of Washington, D.C. The Commission shall be composed of representatives from the federal government, the district government, and other relevant government officials.

(b) The Transition Commission shall ensure the continuity of essential services and governance during the transition period, including judicial proceedings and a smooth and efficient transition to statehood.

SECTION 5: Effective Date

This legislation shall take effect upon its enactment.