

HR 157

District of Columbia House Voting Rights Act of 2009

Congress: 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Congress

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Sponsor

Name: Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]

Party: Democratic • **State:** DC • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	D · VA		Feb 2, 2009
Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]	D · ME		Feb 2, 2009
Rep. Gutierrez, Luis V. [D-IL-4]	D · IL		Feb 12, 2009

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Discharged from	Feb 25, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Congress

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 S 160	Related bill	Mar 2, 2009: Held at the desk.
111 SJRES 11	Related bill	Feb 25, 2009: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S2488)

District of Columbia House Voting Rights Act of 2009 - Considers the District of Columbia a congressional district for purposes of representation in the House of Representatives in the 112th Congress and each succeeding Congress.

Applies to the District in the same manner as it applies to a state the federal law providing for the 15th and subsequent decennial censuses and for apportionment of Representatives in Congress. Limits the District to one Member under any reapportionment of Members.

Modifies the formula regarding the number of presidential electors to subject it to the 23rd amendment to the Constitution in the case of the District.

Increases membership of the House from 435 to 437 Members.

Provides for a reapportionment of Members resulting from such increase.

Directs the Clerk of the House to: (1) certify to the Governor of each state the number of Representatives to which the state is entitled; and (2) identify to the Speaker of the House the state (other than the District of Columbia) entitled to one additional Representative. Requires election at large of such additional Representative.

Sets forth procedures for expedited judicial review of any action brought to challenge the constitutionality of any provision of this Act or any amendment made by it.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 2, 2009:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Judiciary. H. Rept. 111-22.
- **Mar 2, 2009:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 8.
- **Feb 25, 2009:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Feb 25, 2009:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 20 - 12.
- **Feb 25, 2009:** Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties Discharged.
- **Jan 29, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.
- **Jan 27, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.
- **Jan 27, 2009:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Jan 7, 2009:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E26-27)
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.