

118TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 7459

To amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act and the Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration Act to treat the District of Columbia the same as a State for purposes of such Acts, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 26, 2024

Ms. NORTON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Natural Resources

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Pittman-Robertson
5 Wildlife Restoration Act and Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish
6 Restoration Act District of Columbia Equality Act of
7 2024”.

1 **SEC. 2. TREATMENT OF DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA UNDER**
2 **PITTMAN-ROBERTSON WILDLIFE RESTORA-**
3 **TION ACT AND DINGELL-JOHNSON SPORT**
4 **FISH RESTORATION ACT.**

5 (a) PITTMAN-ROBERTSON WILDLIFE RESTORATION
6 ACT.—The Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act
7 (16 U.S.C. 669 et seq.) is amended—

8 (1) in section 2, by redesignating paragraphs
9 (6) through (11) as paragraphs (7) through (12),
10 and by inserting after paragraph (5) the following:

11 “(6) the term ‘State’ includes the District of
12 Columbia;”; and

13 (2) in section 4—

14 (A) by amending paragraph (1) of sub-
15 section (d) to read as follows:

16 “(1) The Secretary of the Interior shall appor-
17 tion from the Wildlife Conservation and Restoration
18 Account a sum equal to not more than one-fourth of
19 1 percent thereof to each of Guam, American
20 Samoa, the Virgin Islands, and the Commonwealth
21 of the Northern Mariana Islands.”; and

22 (B) in subsection (e)(5), by striking “the
23 District of Columbia,”.

24 (b) DINGELL-JOHNSON SPORT FISH RESTORATION
25 ACT.—The Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration Act
26 (16 U.S.C. 777 et seq.) is amended—

1 (1) in section 2—

2 (A) by striking “and” at the end of para-
3 graph (2);

4 (B) by striking the period at the end of
5 paragraph (3) and inserting “; and”; and

6 (C) by adding at the end the following:

7 “(4) the term ‘State’ includes the District of
8 Columbia.”; and

9 (2) in section 12—

10 (A) by striking “the Mayor of the District
11 of Columbia,”;

12 (B) by striking “the District of Columbia,”
13 the second and third place it appears; and

14 (C) by striking “for the District of Colum-
15 bia one-third of 1 per centum,”.

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