



Resolution to Revoke Washington, D.C. Self-Governance and Special Privileges

Introduction: Over the past several years, there has been significant chatter over whether Washington D.C. should be incorporated as the 51st State. Republicans argue that it is a Democratic power grab to gain two additional seats in the Senate, where Democrats argue that Washington D.C.'s lack of statehood disenfranchises the 700,000 Americans living in D.C. However, the latter opinion fails to take into account that the citizens of Washington D.C. already have substantial special privileges that are not afforded to residents of the states. Therefore, it is fair for D.C.'s self-governance to be revoked and the District shrunk to only include federal buildings, with the remaining land given back to the surrounding states, who have provided the land upon which D.C. currently sits.

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