

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 51, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. KELLER OF PENNSYLVANIA

Section 103(a), strike “The President” and insert
“Subject to subsection (c), the President”.

Add at the end of section 103 the following:

1 (c) PREVENTION OF SUBSIDIZATION OF NEW STATE
2 BY FEDERAL TAXPAYERS.—The President may not issue
3 the proclamation under subsection (a) until the day after
4 the date on which each of the following has occurred:

5 (1) The Commission established under section
6 402 submits the comprehensive review required by
7 subsection (d)(1) of such section designed to prevent
8 subsidization of the new State by Federal taxpayers.

9 (2) The Commission certifies to Congress, after
10 the date of the submission of the report described in
11 paragraph (1), that, in the view of the Commis-
12 sion—

13 (A) the District of Columbia and the Fed-
14 eral Government can ensure a successful transi-
15 tion to statehood in which the new State will be
16 able to cover from the first day of statehood all
17 of the expenses described in the report; and

1 (B) certain Federal interests (such as the
2 protection of chanceries, monuments, and
3 places of national historical and artistic signifi-
4 cance) shall be maintained and not infringed
5 upon by the new State.

6 (3) The President certifies to Congress, after
7 the date of the submission of the report described in
8 paragraph (1), that—

9 (A) the Mayor has transmitted to the
10 President a plan and accounting for any budg-
11 etary shortfalls outlined in such report; and

12 (B) the new State will in fact be able to
13 cover each such shortfall.

14 (4) The President certifies to Congress that the
15 Mayor has transmitted to the President each of the
16 following certifications:

17 (A) The certification described in section
18 303(b) (relating to the assumption of obliga-
19 tions under the judges' retirement program).

20 (B) The certification described in section
21 311(d) (relating to the assumption of obliga-
22 tions to continue operations and fund the public
23 defender system).

1 (C) The certification described in section
2 312(d) (relating to the assumption of responsi-
3 bility for criminal prosecutions).

4 (D) The certification described in section
5 313(b) (relating to the assumption of responsi-
6 bility from the United States Marshals Service
7 to provide services for the courts and court sys-
8 tem).

9 (E) The certification described in section
10 314(b) (relating to the assumption of responsi-
11 bility from the Federal Bureau of Prisons to
12 house certain felons).

13 (F) The certifications described in section
14 315(a)(4) (relating to the assumption of re-
15 sponsibilities from the United States Parole
16 Commission).

17 (G) The certification described in section
18 315(b)(4) (relating to the assumption of re-
19 sponsibilities from the Court Services and Of-
20 fender Supervision Agency).

21 (H) The certification described in section
22 316(e) (relating to the assumption of obliga-
23 tions to continue operations and fund the court
24 system).

1 (I) The certification described in section
2 321(b) (relating to the assumption of obliga-
3 tions under the College Access Act).

4 (J) The certification described in section
5 322(b) (relating to the assumption of obliga-
6 tions under the Scholarships for Opportunity
7 and Results Act).

8 (K) The certification described in section
9 323(b) (relating to the discontinuation of the
10 enhanced Medicaid medical assistance percent-
11 age).

In section 402(d), strike “(d) DUTIES.—The Com-
mission” and insert the following:

12 (d) DUTIES.—

13 (1) COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW TO PREVENT
14 SUBSIDIZATION OF NEW STATE BY FEDERAL TAX-
15 PAYERS.—Not later than 120 days after the date of
16 the enactment of this Act, the Commission shall sub-
17 mit to the Congress and the President a report that
18 details each expense for which the new State will
19 need to assume responsibility from the United States
20 immediately upon its admission into the Union in
21 order for the new State to cover all necessary ex-
22 penses for the administration of the new State and

1 to prevent subsidization of the new state by Federal
2 taxpayers.

3 (2) ADVICE WITH RESPECT TO ORDERLY TRAN-
4 SITION.—The Commission

