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The Representation Equality Act

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to provide voting representation for U.S. territories and the District of Columbia in the House of Representatives and the Electoral College.

Section 1: Addition of Voting Members to the House of Representatives

The following U.S. territories and the District of Columbia shall be granted full voting representation in the House of Representatives:

- American Samoa: 1 Voting House Member
- Guam: 1 Voting House Member
- Northern Mariana Islands: 1 Voting House Member
- District of Columbia: 2 Voting House Members
- Puerto Rico: 4 Voting House Members
- U.S. Virgin Islands: 1 Voting House Member

Section 2: Inclusion of U.S. Territories in the Electoral College

The U.S. territories and the District of Columbia shall be granted representation in the Electoral College as follows:

- American Samoa: 1 Electoral College Vote
- Guam: 1 Electoral College Vote
- Northern Mariana Islands: 1 Electoral College Vote
- Puerto Rico: 4 Electoral College Votes
- U.S. Virgin Islands: 1 Electoral College Vote

Section 3: Implementation and Funding

1. The U.S. Census Bureau shall conduct comprehensive and accurate population counts for the territories and the District of Columbia to determine the appropriate allocation of representation in both the House of Representatives and the Electoral College.
2. Funding necessary for the implementation of this amendment shall be appropriated from the federal budget. This appropriation shall include resources for conducting population counts, as well as expenses related to adjusting the administrative functions of the U.S. Congress and the Electoral College to accommodate the newly added representatives and electors.

Resolved, that this amendment to the Constitution shall not interfere with any initiatives regarding the political status or future self-determination of U.S. territories, leaving those matters to the discretion of the citizens and governments of each respective territory.