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H. R. 658

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 1, 2021

Ms. NORTON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform

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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “District of Columbia
3 Parole and Supervised Release Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. AUTHORITY OF DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA OVER PA-**
5 **ROLE AND SUPERVISED RELEASE UNDER**
6 **DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA LAWS.**

7 (a) **AUTHORITY DESCRIBED.**—Effective November 1,
8 2022—

9 (1) the District of Columbia shall have the au-
10 thority—

11 (A) to grant, deny, and revoke parole, and
12 impose conditions on an order of parole, in the
13 case of any individual who is an imprisoned
14 felon who is eligible for parole or reparole, and
15 in the case of any individual who is on parole
16 or reparole, under the laws of the District of
17 Columbia;

18 (B) to set conditions on, revoke, and termi-
19 nate a term of supervised release imposed on
20 any individual who is subject to supervised re-
21 lease under the laws of the District of Colum-
22 bia; and

23 (C) to exercise any other jurisdiction or
24 authority the United States Parole Commission
25 had prior to such date over individuals de-
26 scribed in subparagraphs (A) or (B) (whether

1 such individuals are sentenced before, on, or
2 after such date), as provided under subchapter
3 3 of subtitle C of title XI of the National Cap-
4 ital Revitalization and Self-Government Im-
5 provement Act of 1997 (sec. 24–131 et seq.,
6 D.C. Official Code); and

7 (2) the District of Columbia shall have the au-
8 thority to enact legislation, promulgate regulations
9 and guidelines, and take other actions to carry out
10 paragraph (1).

11 (b) TERMINATION OF AUTHORITY OF UNITED
12 STATES PAROLE COMMISSION.—

13 (1) PAROLE.—Section 11231(a) of the National
14 Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improve-
15 ment Act of 1997 (sec. 24–131(a), D.C. Official
16 Code) is amended by adding at the end the following
17 new paragraph:

18 “(4) TERMINATION.—The jurisdiction and au-
19 thority of the United States Parole Commission
20 under this section shall terminate on November 1,
21 2022.”.

22 (2) RULEMAKING AND LEGISLATIVE RESPONSI-
23 BILITY.—Section 11231(c) of such Act (sec. 24–
24 131(c), D.C. Official Code) is amended by adding at

1 the end the following new sentence: “This subsection
2 shall terminate on November 1, 2022.”.

3 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS RELATING TO AU-
4 THORITY OF COURT SERVICES AND OFFENDER SUPER-
5 VISION AGENCY.—

6 (1) POWERS AND DUTIES OF DIRECTOR.—Sec-
7 tion 11233(b)(2)(B) of such Act (sec. 24–
8 133(b)(2)(B), D.C. Official Code) is amended by
9 striking “and the Chairman of the United States
10 Parole Commission” and inserting “and the District
11 of Columbia”.

12 (2) SUPERVISION OF RELEASED OFFENDERS.—
13 Section 11233(c)(2) of such Act (sec. 24–133(c)(2),
14 D.C. Official Code) is amended to read as follows:

15 “(2) SUPERVISION OF RELEASED OFFEND-
16 ERS.—The Agency shall supervise any offender who
17 is released from imprisonment for any term of su-
18 pervised release imposed by the Superior Court of
19 the District of Columbia. Such offender shall be sub-
20 ject to the authority of the District of Columbia.”.

21 (3) SUPERVISION OF PAROLEES.—Section
22 11233(c)(4) of such Act (sec. 24–133(c)(4), D.C.
23 Official Code) is amended to read as follows:

24 “(4) SUPERVISION OF PAROLEES.—The Agency
25 shall supervise all individuals on parole pursuant to

1 the laws of the District of Columbia. The Agency
2 shall carry out the conditions of release imposed by
3 the District of Columbia and shall make such re-
4 ports to the District of Columbia with respect to an
5 individual on parole supervision as the District of
6 Columbia may require.”.

7 (4) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made
8 by this subsection shall take effect November 1,
9 2022, and shall apply to individuals who are subject
10 to supervised release or parole under the laws of the
11 District of Columbia before, on, or after such date.

12 (d) CONTINUATION OF FEDERAL BENEFITS FOR
13 FORMER EMPLOYEES OF PAROLE COMMISSION.—

14 (1) CONTINUATION.—Any individual who is an
15 employee of the United States Parole Commission as
16 of October 31, 2022, and who, on or after such date,
17 is an employee of the office of the District of Colum-
18 bia which exercises the authority described in para-
19 graph (1) of subsection (a), shall continue to be
20 treated as an employee of the Federal Government
21 for purposes of receiving benefits under any chapter
22 of subpart G of part III of title 5, United States
23 Code.

24 (2) RESPONSIBILITY FOR EMPLOYER CON-
25 TRIBUTION.—Beginning on November 1, 2022, the

1 District of Columbia shall be treated as the employ-
2 ing agency with respect to the benefits described in
3 paragraph (1) which are provided to an individual
4 who, for purposes of receiving such benefits, is con-
5 tinued to be treated as an employee of the Federal
6 Government under such paragraph.

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