

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO H. R. 7941
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Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the “District of Columbia
3 Electronic Transmittal of Legislation Act”.

4 SEC. 2. PERMITTING DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA TO TRANSMIT
5 ACTS OF DISTRICT IN ELECTRONIC FORM.

6 (a) ACTS OF COUNCIL.—Section 602(e) of the Dis-
7 trict of Columbia Home Rule Act (sec. 1–206.02(e), D.C.
8 Official Code) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
9 lowing new paragraph:

10 “(4) The Chairman may transmit an Act under this
11 subsection in such form as the Chairman may choose, in-
12 cluding electronic form.”.

13 (b) CHARTER AMENDMENTS.—Section 303 of such
14 Act (sec. 1–203.03, D.C. Official Code) is amended by
15 adding at the end the following new subsection:

1 “(e) The Chairman may submit an Act under this
2 section in such form as the Chairman may choose, includ-
3 ing electronic form.”

4 **SEC. 3. ACCEPTANCE BY HOUSE AND SENATE.**

5 (a) ACCEPTANCE.—For purposes of determining
6 whether the Chairman of the Council of the District of
7 Columbia has transmitted an Act to Congress pursuant
8 to section 602(c) of the District of Columbia Home Rule
9 Act (sec. 1–206.02(c), D.C. Official Code) or has sub-
10 mitted an Act to Congress pursuant to section 303 of such
11 Act (sec. 1–203.03, D.C. Official Code), the House of Rep-
12 resentatives and Senate shall treat such an Act which the
13 Chairman transmits or submits in electronic form in the
14 same manner as an Act which the Chairman transmits
15 or submits in paper form.

16 (b) EXERCISE OF RULEMAKING AUTHORITY.—This
17 section is enacted by Congress—

18 (1) as an exercise of the rulemaking power of
19 the Senate and House of Representatives, respec-
20 tively, and as such is deemed a part of the rules of
21 each House, respectively, but applicable only with re-
22 spect to the procedure to be followed in that House
23 in the case of Acts described in subsection (a), and
24 supersede other rules only to the extent that it is in-
25 consistent with such rules; and

1 (2) with full recognition of the constitutional
2 right of either House to change the rules (so far as
3 relating to the procedure of that House) at any time,
4 in the same manner, and to the same extent as in
5 the case of any other rule of that House.

