

2021 South Dakota Legislature

Senate Concurrent Resolution 601

Introduced by: Senator Bolin

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Urging the members of South Dakota's congressional delegation to vote against the any act admitting the District of Columbia as a separate state.

4	WHEREAS,	, the District o	f Columbia is a s	pecial	qeoqra	phical area,	designate	d as the seat

- 5 of the national government of the United States; and
- 6 WHEREAS, the District of Columbia has essentially no economic characteristics of any of
- 7 the fifty states, such as viable agricultural or manufacturing sector; and
- 8 WHEREAS, the District of Columbia is in no way representative politically of any of the fifty
- 9 states, having regularly voted by more than seventy-five percent for the same party's
- 10 presidential candidate in each election since 1972; and
- 11 WHEREAS, the United States House of Representatives, in 2020, recklessly approved a
- 12 bill, entitled the Washington, D.C. Admission Act, to admit the District of Columbia as a
- 13 separate state of the United States; and
- 14 <u>WHEREAS, the definitive process of a constitutional amendment, which was used to pass</u>
- 15 <u>the 23rd Amendment to the United States Constitution is still available to the proponents of</u>
- 16 <u>statehood for the District of Columbia:</u>
- 17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Ninety-Sixth Legislature of the
- 18 <u>State of South Dakota, the House of Representatives concurring therein, that the Legislature</u>
- 19 urges the members of South Dakota's congressional delegation to vote against any act
- 20 admitting the district of Columbia as separate state, on the grounds that such an action is
- 21 illegitimate and unnecessary.