H. R. 9934.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

JANUARY 16, 1922.

Mr. Nolan introduced the following bill: which was referred to the Committee on Insular Affairs and ordered to be printed.

A BILL

To make Porto Rico an incorporated Territory of the United States.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 That the provisions of this Act shall apply to the island of
- 4 Porto Rico and to the adjacent islands belonging to the
- 5 United States, and waters of those islands; and the name
- 6 Porto Rico as used in this Act shall be held to include not
- 7 only the island of that name but all the adjacent islands as
- 8 aforesaid.
- 9 Sec. 2. An incorporated Territorial government is es-
- 10 tablished over the island of Porto Rico, with its capital at
- 11 San Juan, Porto Rico.
- 12 SEC. 3. All persons who had become citizens of the
- 13 United States in accordance with an Act of Congress, ap-
- 14 proved March 8, 1917, to provide a civil government for

Porto Rico and for otherr purposes and all citizens of the 1 United States who shall reside in the island of Porto Rico 2 for one year shall be citizens of the Territory of Porto Rico. 3 SEC. 4. The Constitution and, except as otherwise pro-4 vided, all the laws of the United States, including laws 5 carrying general appropriations, which are not locally inap-6 plicable, shall have the same force and effect within the said 7 8 territory of Porto Rico as elsewhere in the United States; Provided, however, that hereafter all taxes collected under 9 the internal revenue and customs laws of the United States 10 in Porto Rico and on articles produced in Porto Rico and 11 transported to the United States, or consumed in the island, 12 13 shall be deposited in the Treasury of Porto Rico, to be wholly devoted for education, sanitation, and permanent public 14 works of the island as may be prescribed by the legislature. 15 Sec. 5. Any part or parts of the Act of Congress, ap-16 17 proved March 2, 1917, to provide a civil government for Porto Rico and the laws of Porto Rico not inconsistent with 18 the Constitution and laws of the United States or the pro-19visions of this Act shall continue in force, subject to repeal or 20 amendment by the Congress of the United States. 21

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