

1 . AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE
NORWOOD OF GEORGIA, OR HIS
DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 40 MINUTES:

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**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 9, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. NORWOOD OF GEORGIA**

Page 11, strike lines 1 through 3.

Page 11, line 4, strike "(2)" and insert "(1)".

Page 11, line 7, strike "(3)" and insert "(2)".

Add at the end the following:

**1 SEC. 10. CRITERIA FOR INCLUSION FOR PRECLEARANCE
2 AND OTHER PROVISIONS OF TITLE I.**

3 The Voting Rights Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 1973 et
4 seq.) is amended—

5 (1) in the first sentence of section 4(a)(1), by
6 striking "the first two sentences of";

7 (2) by striking the second sentence of section
8 4(a)(1);

9 (3) in section 4(a), by striking "or (in the case
10 of a State or subdivision seeking a declaratory judg-
11 ment under the second sentence of this subsection)"
12 each place it appears;

13 (4) so that subsection (b) of section 4 reads as
14 follows:

15 "(b)(1) Subsection (a) applies in any State or sub-
16 division of a State that the Attorney General determines



1 maintains a test or device, or with respect to which the
2 Director of the Census determines that less than 50 per-
3 cent of the citizens of voting age residing therein were reg-
4 istered on November 1 of a critical year, or that less than
5 50 percent of those citizens voted in the presidential elec-
6 tion of that critical year. The critical years for the pur-
7 poses of this Act are the 3 years in which the last pre-
8 ceding presidential elections took place.

9 “(2) A determination under paragraph (1) is not re-
10 viewable in any court and shall take effect upon publica-
11 tion in the Federal Register.”;

12 (5) in section 4(f)(4), by striking “the second
13 sentence of section 4(a)” and inserting “subsection
14 (a)”; and

15 (6) in section 5, by striking “Whenever a State
16 or political” and all that follows through “1972”
17 and inserting “Whenever a State or political subdivi-
18 sion with respect to which the prohibitions set forth
19 in section 4(a) based on a determination made under
20 section 4(b) enacts or seeks to administer any voting
21 qualification or prerequisite to voting, or standard,
22 practice, or procedure with respect to voting dif-
23 ferent from that in force or effect on the day before
24 that determination was made”.