

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

Add at the end the following:

1 **SEC. \_\_\_\_.** **EXPEDITED DECLARATORY JUDGMENT IN CER-**  
2 **TAIN CASES.**

3 Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act is amended by  
4 adding at the end the following: “The Attorney General  
5 shall annually determine whether each State and political  
6 subdivision to which the requirements of this section apply  
7 meets the requirements for a declaratory judgment under  
8 section 4(a). The Attorney General shall inform the public  
9 and each State or political subdivision of the determina-  
10 tion with respect to that State or subdivision. The Attor-  
11 ney General shall consent to the entry of judgment in  
12 favor of a State or political subdivision that seeks such  
13 a declaratory judgment if the Attorney General has deter-  
14 mined that State or subdivision currently meets the re-  
15 quirements.”.

