

## Colorado Enabling Act.

AS PASSED BY CONGRESS AND APPROVED BY THE PRESIDENT.

An Act to enable the People of Colorado to form a Constitution and State Government, and for the admission of said State into the Union on an equal footing with the original States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the inhabitants of the Territory of Colorado included in the boundaries hereinafter designated be, and they are hereby authorized to form for themselves, out of said Territory, a State government with the name of the State of Colorado; which State, when formed, shall be admitted into the Union upon an equal footing with the original States in all respects whatsoever, as herein provided.

**THE BOUNDARIES.**  
SEC. 2. That the said State of Colorado shall consist of all the territory included within the following boundaries, to wit: Commencing on the thirty-seventh parallel of north latitude where the twenty-fifth meridian of longitude west from Washington crosses the same; thence north on said meridian, to the forty-first parallel of north latitude; thence along said parallel west to the thirty-second meridian of longitude west from Washington; thence south on said meridian to the thirty-seventh parallel of north latitude to the place of beginning.

**QUALIFICATION OF VOTERS.**  
SEC. 3. That all persons qualified by law to vote for representatives to the general assembly of said Territory, at the date of the passage of this act, shall be qualified to be elected, and they are hereby authorized to vote for and choose representatives to form a convention, under such rules and regulations as the governor of said Territory may prescribe; and also to vote upon the acceptance or rejection of such constitution, to be formed by said convention, under such rules and regulations as said convention may prescribe; and the aforesaid representatives shall be apportioned among the several counties in said Territory in proportion to the vote polled in each of said counties at the last general election as near as may be; and said apportionment shall be made for the Territory by the governor, United States district attorney, and chief justice thereof, or any two of them; and the governor of said Territory shall, by proclamation, order an election to be held throughout the Territory at such time as shall be fixed by the governor, chief justice, and either of them, or any two of them, which proclamation shall be issued within ninety days next after the first day of Sept. 1875, and at least thirty days prior to the time of said election; and such election shall be conducted in the same manner as is prescribed by the laws of said Territory regulating elections thereof for members of the house of representatives; and the number of members to said convention shall be the same as now constitute both branches of the legislature of the aforesaid Territory.

**THE CONSTITUTION.**  
SEC. 4. That the members of the convention thus elected shall meet at the capital of said Territory, on the day to be fixed by said governor, chief justice, and either of them, or any two of them, not more than sixty days subsequent to the day of election, which time of meeting shall be considered in the aforesaid proclamation mentioned in the third section of this act; and after organization, shall declare on behalf of the people of said Territory, that they accept the constitution of the United States; whereupon the said convention shall be, and is hereby authorized to form a constitution for said Territory; and that the constitution shall be republican in form, and make no distinction on account of race or color, except Indians not taxed, and not be repugnant to the Constitution of the United States; and the principles of the Declaration of Independence; and provided further, That said convention shall provide, by an ordinance, irrevocable without the consent of the United States and the people of said State, first that perfect toleration of religious opinions shall be secured; and that no inhabitant of said State shall ever be molested in person or property, on account of his or her mode of religious worship; secondly, that the people inhabiting said territory do agree and declare that they forever disclaim all right and title to the unsurveyed and unappropriated public lands lying within said Territory, and that the same shall be and remain at the sole and exclusive disposition of the United States, and that the same shall be sold to citizens of the United States, in compliance with the provisions of this act, and convention forming the constitution of said State shall be, and at such time in the month of Sept. 1875, and at such place, and upon such regulations as may be prescribed by said convention; which election shall be held for and against the proposed constitution; and the returns of said election shall be made to the governor, chief justice, and either of them, or any two of them, shall canvass the same, and its majority of votes shall be cast for said constitution in said proposed State, the said governor shall certify the same to the President of the United States, together with a copy of said constitution and ordinance; whereupon it shall be the duty of the President of the United States to issue his proclamation declaring the State admitted into the Union on an equal footing with the original States, without any further action whatever on the part of Congress.

**OFFICERS.**  
SEC. 5. That the officers of the constitution, the Territory officers shall continue to discharge the duties of their respective offices.

**SCHOOL LANDS.**  
SEC. 6. That sections numbered sixteen and thirty-six in every township, and where such sections have been sold or otherwise disposed of by any act of Congress, other lands, equivalent thereto, in legal subdivisions of not more than one-quarter section, and as contiguous as may be, are hereby granted to said State for the support of common schools.

**PUBLIC BUILDINGS.**  
SEC. 7. That, provided the State of Colorado shall be admitted into the Union in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this act, fifty entire sections of the unsurveyed public lands within said State, to be selected by the governor, with the approval of the President, on or before the first day of January, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, shall be, and they are hereby granted, in legal subdivisions of not less than one-quarter section, to said State for the purpose of erecting public buildings at the capital of said State for legislative and judicial purposes, in such manner as the legislature shall prescribe.

**PENITENTIARY.**  
SEC. 8. That fifty entire sections of land as aforesaid, to be selected and located with the approval as aforesaid, shall be, and they are hereby granted to said State for the purpose of erecting a suitable building for a penitentiary or State prison in the manner aforesaid.

**STATE UNIVERSITY.**  
SEC. 9. That seventy-two other sections of land shall be set apart and reserved for the use and support of a State university, to be selected and approved in manner as aforesaid, and to be appropriated and applied as the legislature of said State may prescribe for the purpose named and for no other purpose.

**SALT SPRINGS.**  
SEC. 10. That all salt springs within said State, not exceeding twelve in number, which are situated on land adjoining, as contiguous as may be to each, shall be granted to said State for its use, the said land to be selected by the governor of said State within two years after the admission of the State, and when so selected to be used and disposed of on such terms, conditions, and regulations as the legislature may direct; Provided, That no salt spring of lands, the right whereof is now vested in any individual or individuals, or which hereafter shall be confirmed or adjudged to any individual or individuals, shall by this act be granted to said State.

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