

ACT ADMITTING KENTUCKY INTO THE UNION.

[FIRST CONGRESS, THIRD SESSION, FEBRUARY 4, 1791.]

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Virginia, by an act entitled "An Act concerning the erection of the District of Kentucky into an Independent State," passed the eighteenth day of December, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-nine, have consented that the District of Kentucky, within the jurisdiction of the said Commonwealth, and according to its actual boundaries at the time of passing the act aforesaid, should be formed into a new State; and, whereas, a convention of delegates chosen by the people of the said District of Kentucky, have petitioned Congress to consent that on the first day of June, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-two, the said district should be formed into a new State and received into the Union by the name of the "State of Kentucky."

§ 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, and it is hereby enacted and declared, That the Congress doth consent that the said District of Kentucky, within the jurisdiction of the Commonwealth of Virginia, and according to its actual boundaries on the eighteenth day of December, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-nine, shall, upon the first day of June, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-two, be formed into a new State, separate from and independent of the said Commonwealth of Virginia.

§ 2. And be it further enacted and declared, That upon the aforesaid first day of June, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-two, the said new State, by the name and style of the State of Kentucky, shall be received and admitted into this Union as a new and entire member of the United States of America.