

HOUSE No. 00192

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Sean Garballey

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to age requirements in local elections.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: |
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| <i>Sean Garballey</i> | <i>23rd Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Alice K. Wolf</i> | <i>25th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Cory Atkins</i> | <i>14th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.</i> | <i>26th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Carl M. Sciortino, Jr.</i> | <i>34th Middlesex</i> |

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By Mr. Sean Garballey of Arlington, petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 00192) of Timothy J. Toomey and others relative to age requirements in local elections. Joint Committee on Election Laws.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to age requirements in local elections.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

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2 the authority of the same, as follows:

3 SECTION 1. Chapter 51 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is
4 hereby amended in section 1 by adding at the end thereof the following:

5 Every citizen seventeen years of age or older who is a resident in the city or town where he or
6 she claims the right to vote at the time he or she registers, and who has complied with the
7 requirements of this chapter, may have his or her name entered on the list of voters in such city
8 or town, and may vote therein in any election for officers in such city or town.