

HOUSE No. 01976

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

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 overseas absentee voting..

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>
<i>Marc Lombardo</i>	<i>22nd Middlesex</i>
<i>Donald F. Humason, Jr.</i>	<i>4th Hampden</i>
<i>Angelo D'Emilia</i>	<i>8th Plymouth</i>
<i>Randy Hunt</i>	<i>5th Barnstable</i>
<i>Geoff Diehl</i>	<i>7th Plymouth</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>
<i>Shaunna O'Connell</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>
<i>George Ross</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>
<i>Donald Wong</i>	<i>9th Essex</i>
<i>Richard Bastien</i>	<i>2nd Worcester</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>
<i>Kevin Kuros</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>
<i>Sheila Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>
<i>Matthew Beaton</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>
<i>Kimberly Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>
<i>Steven L. Levy</i>	<i>4th Middlesex</i>

<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>George N. Peterson, Jr.</i>	<i>9th Worcester</i>
<i>Bradford Hill</i>	<i>4th Essex</i>
<i>Elizabeth Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>
<i>Viriato Manuel deMacedo</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1976) of Tarr and others relative to overseas absentee voting Joint Committee on Election Laws.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
□ HOUSE
□ , NO. 585 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to overseas absentee voting..

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

1 SECTION 1. Subsection (a) of section 91B of chapter 54 of the General Laws, as appearing in
2 the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out in line 4 the words, “subsections (b)
3 and (c),” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- subsections (b), (c), and (d),.

4 SECTION 2. Section 91B of chapter 54 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official
5 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after subsection (c) the following subsection:-

6 (d) To a voter qualified under the federal Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act
7 (42 USC section 1973ff-2), the ballot may be delivered electronically by fax, e-mail, or secure
8 website. The secretary of state may promulgate rules and regulations necessary for the
9 implementation of this section.

10 SECTION 3. Section 95 of chapter 54 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official
11 Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 39 the words “tenth”, and inserting in place
12 thereof the following words:- twentieth

13 SECTION 4. Section 99 of chapter 54 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official
14 Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 6 the words “ten”, and inserting in place
15 thereof the following words:- twenty