

HOUSE No. 00200

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Robert M. Koczera

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 allowing for Congressional district apportionment of Presidential electors..

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Robert M. Koczera

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

11th Bristol

HOUSE No. 00200

By Mr. Robert M. Koczera of New Bedford, petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 00200) of Robert M. Koczera relative to further regulating the appointment of Presidential electors. Joint Committee on Election Laws.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
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□ , NO. 655 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act allowing for Congressional district apportionment of Presidential electors..

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. Section 8 of Chapter 53 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 1998
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “electors”, in line 15, the
3 following words:- One presidential elector shall be chosen from each congressional district and
4 two presidential electors shall be chosen at large. Each presidential elector chosen from a
5 congressional district shall reside in the congressional district for which the presidential elector is
6 chosen.

7 SECTION 2. Section 78A of Chapter 54 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 1998 Official
8 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “commonwealth”, in line 8, the following
9 words:-and a resident of the congressional district in which he or she elected as applicable.

10 SECTION 3. Section 151 of Chapter 54 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 1998 Official
11 Edition, is hereby amended by striking out all after "elected" in line 2 and by striking out lines 3
12 through 6 and inserting in its place the following:- a presidential elector shall be chosen equal to
13 one elector and each congressional district in the commonwealth and two electors at large. The
14 presidential electors of each congressional district shall cast their ballots for the presidential and
15 vice-presidential candidates who received the largest number of votes in each respective
16 congressional district. The presidential electors at large shall cast their ballots for the
17 presidential and vice presidential candidates who received the largest number of votes in the
18 commonwealth. Presidential electors shall be chosen by the voters of the commonwealth in the
19 manner and with the effect provided by section seventy eight.