

HOUSE No. 568

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Steven J. D'Amico

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 establishing seventeen-year-old primary voting.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Steven J. D'Amico	4th Bristol
Carl M. Sciortino, Jr.	34th Middlesex
Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.	26th Middlesex
Paul McMurtry	11th Norfolk

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT ESTABLISHING SEVENTEEN-YEAR-OLD PRIMARY 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. Section 1 of chapter 51 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting, at the end of the first paragraph, the following paragraph:-
- 3 Nothing in this section shall prevent a citizen under eighteen years of age who otherwise satisfies the
4 requirements of this section from having the citizen's name entered on the list of voters in such city or
5 town in order to vote in a primary election in which candidates are nominated for a general or special
6 election that will occur when the citizen is at least eighteen years of age; provided however, that the
7 citizen may not vote in any other election.