

HOUSE No. 574

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Mark V. Falzone

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 to remove restrictions on absentee voting.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Mark V. Falzone	9th Essex
Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.	26th Middlesex
Thomas M. Stanley	9th Middlesex
Cory Atkins	14th Middlesex
Jennifer M. Callahan	18th Worcester
David B. Sullivan	6th Bristol
Ellen Story	3rd Hampshire
Alice K. Wolf	25th Middlesex
Gale D. Candaras	First Hampden and Hampshire

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT TO REMOVE RESTRICTIONS ON 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 Chapter 54, Section 86 of the Massachusetts General Laws shall be amended by deleting the
2 following: -

3 “ is absent from the city of town where he is a voter by reason of being a specially qualified voter as
4 defined in section one of chapter fifty, or his employment in another community, attendance at any
5 institution of higher education or for any other reason or who will be unable to by reason of physical
6 disability to cast his vote in person at the polling place or who for reasons of religious belief.”