

SENATE No. 45

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bruce E. Tarr

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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act amending the Gloucester city charter.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Bruce E. Tarr

Ann-Margaret Ferrante

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

First Essex and Middlesex

5th Essex

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By Mr. Tarr, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 45) of Bruce E. Tarr and Ann-Margaret Ferrante (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to amend the Gloucester city charter. Election Laws.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**

An Act amending the Gloucester city charter.

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

1 The charter of the city of Gloucester, which is on file in the office of the archivist of the
2 commonwealth, as provided in section 12 of chapter 43B of the General Laws, is hereby
3 amended by striking out in section 8-1 City Elections: General and Preliminary the words "On
4 the fifth Tuesday preceding every regular city election there shall be held a preliminary election
5 for the purpose of nominating candidates." and inserting in place thereof the following
6 sentence:— "Municipal preliminary elections shall be held no later than the sixth Tuesday
7 preceding a regular or special municipal election with the date to be fixed for each preliminary
8 election by a vote of the City Council which shall be taken no later than the sixtieth day before
9 the date so fixed."