

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 regulating preliminary elections in the city of Gloucester.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Bruce E. Tarr

First Essex and Middlesex

Ann-Margaret Ferrante

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.

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

An Act regulating preliminary elections in the city of Gloucester.

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."