

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 659**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the Year Two Thousand Nine**  
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An Act relative to the date for holding state primaries..

*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 28 of chapter 53 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2002  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place  
3 thereof the following sentence:—

4           State primaries shall be held on the first Tuesday in May and on the fourth Tuesday  
5 preceding special state elections, except that primaries before special congressional elections  
6 shall be held on the fifth Tuesday preceding said elections.