

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 193**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Sean Garballey***

*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 relative to the reimbursement of local costs of special elections.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/19/2011</i>
<i>James J. Dwyer</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/19/2011</i>
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/28/2011</i>
<i>Steven L. Levy</i>	<i>4th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2011</i>
<i>David Paul Linsky</i>	<i>5th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/28/2011</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>		<i>1/27/2011</i>
<i>John W. Scibak</i>	<i>2nd Hampshire</i>	<i>2/1/2011</i>
<i>Cory Atkins</i>	<i>14th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/3/2011</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>		<i>2/3/2011</i>
<i>Alice Hanlon Peisch</i>	<i>14th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/4/2011</i>
<i>Karen E. Spilka</i>		<i>2/4/2011</i>
<i>Joseph F. Wagner</i>	<i>8th Hampden</i>	<i>2/4/2011</i>
<i>Gale D. Candaras</i>		<i>2/4/2011</i>
<i>Stephen Stat Smith</i>	<i>28th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/4/2011</i>

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By Mr. Garballey of Arlington, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 193) of Sean Garballey and others relative to the reimbursement of local costs of special elections. Election Laws.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**

An Act relative to the reimbursement of local costs of special elections.

*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 one hundred forty-seven of chapter fifty-four of the General Laws, as appearing  
2 in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new  
3 sentence:

4 Provided, however, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, cities  
5 and towns shall be reimbursed for their costs of conducting special elections, called to fill  
6 vacancies in offices under this chapter, after certification of said cost by the state auditor.