

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1976**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***Bradley H. Jones, Jr.***

*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 overseas absentee voting.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/20/2011</i>
<i>Marc T. Lombardo</i>	<i>22nd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/27/2011</i>
<i>Donald F. Humason, Jr.</i>	<i>4th Hampden</i>	<i>1/27/2011</i>
<i>Angelo L. D'Emilia</i>	<i>8th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/1/2011</i>
<i>Randy Hunt</i>	<i>5th Barnstable</i>	<i>2/2/2011</i>
<i>Geoff Diehl</i>	<i>7th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/2/2011</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>	<i>2/2/2011</i>
<i>Shaunna O'Connell</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>	<i>2/2/2011</i>
<i>George T. Ross</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>	<i>2/3/2011</i>
<i>Donald H. Wong</i>	<i>9th Essex</i>	<i>2/3/2011</i>
<i>Richard Bastien</i>	<i>2nd Worcester</i>	<i>2/3/2011</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>	<i>2/3/2011</i>
<i>Kevin J. Kuros</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>	<i>2/3/2011</i>
<i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>	<i>2/3/2011</i>
<i>Matthew A. Beaton</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>	<i>2/4/2011</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>	<i>2/4/2011</i>
<i>Steven L. Levy</i>	<i>4th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/4/2011</i>
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>	<i>2/4/2011</i>

<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>		<i>2/4/2011</i>
<i>George N. Peterson, Jr.</i>	<i>9th Worcester</i>	<i>2/4/2011</i>
<i>Bradford Hill</i>	<i>4th Essex</i>	<i>2/4/2011</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>	<i>1/21/2011</i>
<i>Viriato Manuel deMacedo</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	<i>2/1/2011</i>

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1976) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and others relative to overseas absentee voting. Election Laws.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 585 OF 2009-2010.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act relative to overseas 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           SECTION 1. Subsection (a) of section 91B of chapter 54 of the General Laws, as  
2 appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out in line 4 the words,  
3 “subsections (b) and (c),” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- subsections (b),  
4 (c), and (d),.

5           SECTION 2. Section 91B of chapter 54 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008  
6 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after subsection (c) the following subsection:-

7           (d) To a voter qualified under the federal Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee  
8 Voting Act (42 USC section 1973ff-2), the ballot may be delivered electronically by fax, e-mail,  
9 or secure website. The secretary of state may promulgate rules and regulations necessary for the  
10 implementation of this section.

11           SECTION 3. Section 95 of chapter 54 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008  
12 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 39 the words “tenth”, and inserting in  
13 place thereof the following words:- twentieth

14           SECTION 4. Section 99 of chapter 54 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008  
15 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 6 the words “ten”, and inserting in  
16 place thereof the following words:- twenty