HOUSE No. 3705

By Representative Dempsey of Haverhill and Senator Baddour, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3705) of Brian S. Dempsey and Steven A. Baddour (with the approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to authorize the clerk of the city of Haverhill to arrange the names of the candidates for municipal elective office by way of a random drawing. Election Laws. [Local Approval Received.]

The Commonwealth of Alassachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act authorizing the City Clerk of the city of Haverhill to arrange the names of candidates for municipal elective office by random drawing.

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

- 1 Be it enacted, etc. as follows:
- 2 SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 42 of chapter 54 of the general
- laws, or any other general or special law, rule or regulation to the contrary, the city clerk of the
- 4 city of Haverhill shall arrange the names of all candidates in a regular or special election for
- 5 municipal elective offices on ballots under the designation of the office in their order as
- 6 randmomly drawn by the clerk. The drawing of the names shall be performed on the first day,
- 7 excluding Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays, after certification of the results of a
- 8 preliminary municipal election, if so held, or, if no preliminary municipal election is held then no
- 9 later than the first Tuesday of October.
- SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.