

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 583**

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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 age requirements in local elections.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/17/2013</i>
<i>Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.</i>	<i>26th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/17/2013</i>
<i>Denise Andrews</i>	<i>2nd Franklin</i>	<i>1/17/2013</i>

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By Mr. Garballey of Arlington, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 583) of Sean Garballey, Timothy J. Toomey, Jr. and Denise Andrews relative to age requirements in local elections. Election Laws.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 192 OF 2011-2012.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**  
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An Act relative to age requirements in local 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 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled,  
2 and by the authority of the same, as follows:

3 SECTION 1. Chapter 51 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition,  
4 is hereby amended in section 1 by adding at the end thereof the following:

5 Every citizen seventeen years of age or older who is a resident in the city or town where  
6 he or she claims the right to vote at the time he or she registers, and who has complied with the  
7 requirements of this chapter, may have his or her name entered on the list of voters in such city  
8 or town, and may vote therein in any election for officers in such city or town.