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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***Daniel B. Winslow***

*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 increasing ballot access by including more political parties.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Daniel B. Winslow</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/28/2013</i>

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By Mr. Winslow of Norfolk, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Daniel B. Winslow relative to including more political parties on ballots. Election Laws.

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen  
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An Act increasing ballot access by including more political parties.

*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. (a) Section 1 of chapter 50 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out in the definition of a “political party”, in line  
3 91, the words “three percent” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- “half of one  
4 percent”.

5           (b) Section 1 of chapter 50 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official  
6 Edition, is hereby further amended by striking out in the definition of a “political party”, in line  
7 95, the words “one percent” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- “half of one  
8 percent”.