

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 564**

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Bradford R. Hill***

*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 voter identification.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Bradford R. Hill</i>	<i>4th Essex</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>David K. Muradian, Jr.</i>	<i>9th Worcester</i>
<i>James J. Dwyer</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>
<i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>
<i>Shawn Dooley</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>
<i>Susannah M. Whipps Lee</i>	<i>2nd Franklin</i>
<i>Joseph D. McKenna</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>
<i>Leonard Mirra</i>	<i>2nd Essex</i>
<i>Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr.</i>	<i>28th Middlesex</i>
<i>Leah Cole</i>	<i>12th Essex</i>
<i>Keiko M. Orrall</i>	<i>12th Bristol</i>
<i>Richard J. Ross</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>
<i>Donald H. Wong</i>	<i>9th Essex</i>
<i>Kevin J. Kuros</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>

*Timothy R. Whelan*

*1st Barnstable*

*Angelo L. D'Emilia*

*8th Plymouth*

*Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr.*

*5th Worcester*

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By Mr. Hill of Ipswich, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 564) of Bradford R. Hill and others for legislation to require applicants for voter registration to show proof of identification. Election Laws.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 589 OF 2013-2014.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act relative to voter identification.

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

1 Chapter 51 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 Official Edition, is hereby  
2 amended by striking out Section 45A and inserting in place thereof the following section.-

3 Section 45A. An applicant for registration shall prove, to the satisfaction of the Clerk or  
4 Registrar, that he is a citizen of the United States. Such proof may be made by producing a birth  
5 certificate or papers of naturalization for inspection, notation of which shall be made a part of the  
6 registration of said applicant.