

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 595**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Elizabeth A. Poirier*

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 valid identification at voting polls.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>	<i>1/15/2015</i>
<i>Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr.</i>	<i>5th Worcester</i>	<i>2/1/2015</i>
<i>Leah Cole</i>	<i>12th Essex</i>	<i>1/15/2015</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>	<i>1/23/2015</i>
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>	<i>1/26/2015</i>
<i>Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr.</i>	<i>28th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/26/2015</i>
<i>Joseph D. McKenna</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>	<i>2/4/2015</i>
<i>Leonard Mirra</i>	<i>2nd Essex</i>	<i>1/26/2015</i>
<i>Shaunna L. O'Connell</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>	<i>1/31/2015</i>
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>	<i>1/21/2015</i>
<i>Susannah M. Whipps Lee</i>	<i>2nd Franklin</i>	<i>1/20/2015</i>

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By Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 595) of Elizabeth A. Poirier and others relative to proof of valid identification at voting polls. Election Laws.

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

*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 76B, Chapter 54 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following  
2 subsection:-

3           (c) -- Any person who seeks to vote in a public election is required to establish his or her  
4 qualifications to vote by providing a current valid photo form of identification to election  
5 officials prior to voting. Acceptable forms of photo identification provided is either a current  
6 driver’s license, a government employee card, a pilot’s license, military identification, a  
7 Medicaid or Medicare card, and for students, a photo identification university card.