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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

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 access to official absentee and early voting data.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	*20th Middlesex*	*1/20/2017*
Susan Williams Gifford	*2nd Plymouth*	*10/23/2017*
Paul K. Frost	*7th Worcester*	*10/23/2017*
Todd M. Smola	*1st Hampden*	*2/3/2017*
F. Jay Barrows	*1st Bristol*	*10/23/2017*
Sheila C. Harrington	*1st Middlesex*	*10/23/2017*
Timothy R. Whelan	*1st Barnstable*	*10/23/2017*
Steven S. Howitt	*4th Bristol*	*10/23/2017*
Nicholas A. Boldyga	*3rd Hampden*	*10/23/2017*
Kimberly N. Ferguson	*1st Worcester*	*10/23/2017*

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2088) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others relative to access to official absentee and early voting data by state parties. Election Laws.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)

An Act relative to access to official absentee and early voting data.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 9 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting, after Section 31, the following section:-

Section 32. Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, the department of the secretary of state shall make available to state parties all updated official absentee and early voter data prepared by the election officers and registrars of every city and town in the Commonwealth upon a state party's request. The request for access to official absentee and early voting data by a state party from the department of the secretary of state shall not exceed one request per day. The department of the secretary of state may promulgate rules and regulations necessary for the implementation of this section.