

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2094**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Aaron Michlewitz*

*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 the board of registrars of voters.

PETITION OF:

| NAME:                   | DISTRICT/ADDRESS:  | DATE ADDED:      |
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| <i>Aaron Michlewitz</i> | <i>3rd Suffolk</i> | <i>1/19/2017</i> |

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By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2094) of Aaron Michlewitz relative to the board of registrars in certain towns. Election Laws.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act relative to the board of registrars of voters.

*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. Chapter 51 of section 15 of the General Laws is hereby amended by  
2 deleting the following words at the end of the section - “without reference to such a list” and add  
3 the following in its place:  
4           “from a list of interested parties solicited by the Town after publishing notice of such a  
5 vacancy for at least 14 days in the same manner which the Town has adopted to publish notices  
6 subject to the Open Meeting Law. If, after notifying the town committees, or if no town  
7 committee exists, the state committee, and inhabitants of the Town of such vacancy, no  
8 interested members of the two leading political parties comes forth to fill such vacancy, the  
9 Selectmen may appoint a voter who has been registered in said town for not less than two years,  
10 the aforementioned voter may be unenrolled or enrolled in a political designation; and provided  
11 further, that in no case shall an appointment to be made as to cause a board to have more than  
12 two members, including the city or town clerk, of the same political party. Only one member for

- 13 the Board of Registrars, not including the Town Clerk, shall not be a member of the two leading
- 14 political parties.