

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 659**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Natalie M. Blais*

*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 candidate information on ballots.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Natalie M. Blais</i>	<i>1st Franklin</i>	<i>1/13/2023</i>
<i>Mindy Domb</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>	<i>2/28/2023</i>

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By Representative Blais of Deerfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 659) of Natalie M. Blais and Mindy Domb relative to candidate information on ballots. Election Laws.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**

An Act relative to candidate information on ballots.

*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. Section 8 of chapter 53 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 3, the words “his residence, with  
3 street and number, if any,” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- their town or city  
4 of residence, if any;

5 SECTION 2. Section 34 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by  
6 striking out the fifth paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

7 Against the name of a candidate for an elective office, for a ward or town committee or  
8 for state committee shall be printed their town or city of residence, if any.

9 SECTION 3. Section 106 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby further amended  
10 by striking out the fourth paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

11 Against the name of a candidate for an elective or caucus office shall be printed their  
12 town or city of residence, if any.

13           SECTION 4. Section 41 of chapter 54 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
14 amended by striking out, in lines 6 and 7, the following words:- , with the name of the street and  
15 number, if any, of his residence.

16           SECTION 5. Said section 41 of said chapter 54, as so appearing, is hereby further  
17 amended by striking out, in lines 9 and 10, the words “the street on which he resides, with his  
18 street number” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- their town or city of  
19 residence.

20           SECTION 6. Said section 41 of said chapter 54, as so appearing, is hereby further  
21 amended by striking out, in lines 28 and 29, the words “the street on which he resides, with his  
22 street number” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- their town or city of  
23 residence.