

SENATE No. 405

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Michael J. Barrett

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 mandating the posting of identification requirements at polling places.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Michael J. Barrett

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Third Middlesex

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By Mr. Barrett, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 405) of Michael J. Barrett for legislation to mandate the posting of identification requirements at polling places. Election Laws.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act mandating the posting of identification requirements at polling places.

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 54 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 48A the
2 following section:-

3 Section 48B. (a) The state secretary shall provide, in a form suitable for posting in every
4 polling place for every election, a summary of (1) the reasons a voter may be asked to show
5 identification when checking-in at their polling place and (2) the acceptable forms of
6 identification, pursuant to section 76B of chapter 54, 950 CMR 52, and 950 CMR 54, as they
7 may be amended from time to time. The state secretary shall also include said summary on the
8 electronic website of the state secretary.

9 (b) Said summary shall be posted conspicuously and no smaller than 8.5 × 11 inches at
10 every polling place during every election.