

SENATE No. 2957

Senate, February 12, 2026 -- Substituted as a new draft (Senator Brady) for the Senate Bill relative to the election of the mayor, city councilor and school committee in the city of Brockton (Senate, No. 2510).

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court
(2025-2026)**

An Act establishing residency requirements for the offices of mayor, city councilor and school committee in the city of Brockton.

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. (a) A candidate for mayor or councilor-at-large in the city of Brockton shall
2 have resided within the city for at least 1 year immediately preceding such candidate’s election.
3 If a person holding the position of mayor or councilor-at-large ceases to reside in the city, such
4 person shall be removed from office and the office declared vacant.

5 (b) A candidate for ward councilor or school committee member in the city of Brockton
6 shall have resided within the ward for which such candidate is seeking election for at least 1 year
7 immediately preceding such candidate’s election. If a person holding the position of ward
8 councilor or school committee member ceases to reside in the ward for which such person was
9 elected, such person shall be removed from office and the office declared vacant.

10 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.