

SENATE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jason M. Lewis

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.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Jason M. Lewis

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Fifth Middlesex

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 427 OF 2023-2024.]

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

An Act relative to the board of registrars.

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 51, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking
2 section 18 and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

3 Section 18. In the original and in each succeeding appointment and in filling vacancies,
4 registrars of voters shall be so appointed as follows: (i) that as nearly as possible the members of
5 the board shall represent the 2 leading political parties and voters with an unenrolled designation,
6 as defined in section 1 of chapter 50 and section 38 of chapter 53; provided, that a city or town
7 clerk need not be enrolled in a political party; and (ii) that in no case shall an appointment to the
8 registrars of voters be made so as to cause the board to have more than 2 members from any
9 established political party or political designation in the Commonwealth, including the city or
10 town clerk.