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SENATE . . . . . No. 303

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James B. Eldridge

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 election officers..

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
James B. Eldridge	
David Paul Linsky	*5th Middlesex*
Alice Hanlon Peisch	*14th Norfolk*
Viriato Manuel deMacedo	*1st Plymouth*
Jay R. Kaufman	*15th Middlesex*
Steven L. Levy	*4th Middlesex*

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By Mr. Eldridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 303) of James B. Eldridge, David Paul Linsky, Alice Hanlon Peisch, Viriato Manuel deMacedo and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to election officers. Election Laws.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. *344* OF 2009-2010.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to election officers..

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 54 Section 11 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking the words "one warden, one deputy warden, one clerk, one deputy clerk, four inspectors and four deputy inspectors" and replacing it with "a minimum of one warden, one clerk, two inspectors and a ballot box inspector".

SECTION 2. Chapter 54 Section 12 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking the words "one warden, one deputy warden, one clerk, one deputy clerk, two inspectors and two deputy inspectors" and replacing it with "a minimum of one warden, one clerk, two inspectors and a ballot box inspector".

SECTION 3. Chapter 54 Section 67 of the General Laws as amended by the Acts of 2004, c. 334, Section 34 is hereby amended by deleting the section and replacing it with the

11 following: "The voting list shall be delivered to the warden at the entrance to the precinct in the
12 polling place. When a ballot is delivered to a voter, his name shall be checked on the voting list
13 at the entrance of the precinct. One inspector in charge of the voting list and the inspector in
14 charge of the ballot box shall be of different political parties. The ballot box inspector shall
15 insure that each voter casts a ballot into the ballot box before exiting the precinct. No person
16 shall vote if his name is not on the voting list, nor until the inspector shall check his name
17 thereon, unless he presents a certificate from the registrars of the voters as provided by section
18 fifty-one or section fifty-nine of Chapter fifty-one, or unless he is voting by provisional ballot
19 under section 76C".

20 SECTION 4. Chapter 54 Section 83 of the General Laws is hereby amended by deleting
21 the entire section.