

HOUSE No. 555

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Sean Garballey

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 reimbursement of local costs of special elections.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Timothy R. Madden</i>	<i>Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket</i>
<i>James J. Dwyer</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>
<i>Keiko M. Orrall</i>	<i>12th Bristol</i>
<i>Frank I. Smizik</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>

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By Mr. Garballey of Arlington, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 555) of Sean Garballey and others relative to the reimbursement of local costs of special elections. Election Laws.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 584 OF 2013-2014.]

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**

An Act relative to the reimbursement of local costs of special elections.

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 one hundred forty-seven of chapter fifty-four of the General Laws,
2 as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the
3 following new sentence:-

4 Provided, however, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, cities
5 and towns shall be reimbursed for their costs of conducting special elections, called to fill
6 vacancies in offices under this chapter, after certification of said cost by the state auditor.