

HOUSE No. 564

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Paul Brodeur, (BY REQUEST)

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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act permitting certain questions on presidential primary ballots.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Paul Brodeur

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

32nd Middlesex

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By Mr. Brodeur of Melrose (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 564) of Paul Brodeur for legislation to authorize certain questions on non-binding instructions to a party’s delegation on presidential primary ballots. Election Laws.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen
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An Act permitting certain questions on presidential primary ballots.

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 70E of chapter 53 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2002
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the second paragraph, the following
3 paragraph:--

4 Then shall also be printed on the ballot non-binding instruction, if any, under section
5 70L, to the Massachusetts delegation to the rules committee of the national political party.

6 SECTION 2. Said Chapter 53 of the General Laws is hereby further amended by
7 inserting after section 70H the following section:--

8 On an application from the state political party asking for the submission to the voters of
9 a party at a presidential primary of non-binding instructions to the party’s delegation to the rules
10 committee concerning membership in convention the state secretary shall place the question on
11 the official ballot to be used at the presidential primary. Each such question shall give the voters
12 the following three options: “Yes”, “no”, and “No Opinion”.