

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 791**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Sean Garballey and Jack Patrick 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 age requirements in local elections.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>	<i>2/10/2021</i>
<i>Jack Patrick Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/12/2021</i>
<i>Tami L. Gouveia</i>	<i>14th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>

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By Messrs. Garballey of Arlington and Lewis of Framingham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 791) of Sean Garballey, Jack Patrick Lewis and Tami L. Gouveia relative to age requirements in local elections. Election Laws.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court  
(2021-2022)**  
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An Act relative to age requirements in local 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. Chapter 51 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2018 Official Edition,  
2 is hereby amended in section 1 by adding at the end thereof the following:

3           Every citizen sixteen years of age or older who is a resident in the city or town where he  
4 or she claims the right to vote at the time he or she registers, and who has complied with the  
5 requirements of this chapter, may have his or her name entered on the list of voters in such city  
6 or town, and may vote therein in any election for officers in such city or town.