

# SENATE . . . . . No. 2399

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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SENATE, Wednesday, April 4, 2018

The committee on the Election Laws, to whom was referred the petitions (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 365) Michael J. Barrett, Denise Provost, Chris Walsh, Jason M. Lewis and other members of the General Court for legislation to restore financial transparency in presidential elections; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 366) of Michael J. Barrett, John W. Scibak, Jason M. Lewis, James B. Eldridge and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to early voting in municipal elections; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 367) of Joseph A. Boncore, Sal N. DiDomenico, Russell E. Holmes, Byron Rushing and other members of the General Court for legislation to allow election day registration; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 368) of Sonia Chang-Diaz, Jason M. Lewis, Carmine L. Gentile, Chris Walsh and other members of the General Court for legislation to modernize voter registration and jury pool lists; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 370) of Sonia Chang-Diaz, James B. Eldridge and Eric P. Lesser for legislation to establish permanent voter registration for registered voters who move within the Commonwealth; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 371) of Cynthia S. Creem, Jason M. Lewis, Marjorie C. Decker, Jack Lewis and other members of the General Court for legislation to establish election day registration; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 372) of Cynthia S. Creem for legislation to enhance reporting requirements for candidates and committees; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 374) of Viriato M. deMacedo, Timothy R. Whelan and David F. DeCoste for legislation relative to establishing voter identification procedures; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 375) of Sal N. DiDomenico, Jason M. Lewis, Byron Rushing, Denise Provost and other members of the General Court for legislation to promote political participation through voluntary contributions; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 376) of James B. Eldridge, Denise Provost, Sonia Chang-Diaz, Eileen M. Donoghue and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to corporations, shareholders, and political expenditures; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 377) of James B. Eldridge, Patricia D. Jehlen and Sal N. DiDomenico for legislation relative to election officers; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 378) of James B. Eldridge, Mark C. Montigny, Barbara A. L'Italien and Patricia D. Jehlen for legislation to enhance transparency in campaign finance; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 380) of James B. Eldridge, Anne M. Gobi, Jack Lewis, Carmine L. Gentile and other

members of the General Court for legislation to provide a local option for ranked choice voting in city or town elections; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 381) of James B. Eldridge, Paul W. Mark, Brian Murray, Carmine L. Gentile and others for legislation relative to fair elections; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 382) of Ryan C. Fattman, Leonard Mirra, Shawn Dooley, Richard J. Ross and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to contribution fairness; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 383) of Edmund Rotty for legislation relative to voter information privacy; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 384) of Richard Reppucci for legislation to establish open ballot primaries in the commonwealth; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 385) of Donald F. Humason, Jr. for legislation relative to the Public Office Liability and Safety Act (POLS Act); (accompanied by resolution, Senate, No. 387) of Eric P. Lesser, Michael J. Barrett, Lori A. Ehrlich, Sal N. DiDomenico and other members of the General Court for the adoption of resolutions calling on Congress to abolish the Electoral College and allow for the direct election of the President and Vice President by the popular vote of all citizens of the United States; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 388) of Vincent Lawrence Dixon for legislation for political party endorsement reform; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 389) of Jason M. Lewis for legislation to expand voting rights; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 391) of Vincent Lawrence Dixon for legislation for Primary Election Reform; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 392) of Alice Shattuck and Vincent Lawrence Dixon for legislation for parity in all organizational and non-individual campaign contributions; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 393) of Joan B. Lovely, Richard J. Ross and Thomas P. Walsh for legislation relative to election ballots; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 394) of Mark C. Montigny for legislation to limit political spending by foreign-influenced corporations; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 395) of Richard J. Ross, Ryan C. Fattman and Bruce E. Tarr for legislation relative to campaign finance during special elections; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 396) of Richard J. Ross, Elizabeth A. Poirier, Ryan C. Fattman and Bruce E. Tarr for legislation relative to unfunded election audits; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 397) of Richard J. Ross, Steven S. Howitt, Leonard Mirra, Elizabeth A. Poirier and other members of the General Court for legislation to require photo identification to receive a ballot; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 398) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation relative to campaign contribution cycles; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 399) of Bruce E. Tarr and Richard A Baker Jr. for legislation relative to ballot modernization; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 400) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation to remove unfair incumbent advantage from the ballot and to change unenrolled to independent; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 401) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation relative to the application for a convention of the states under article v of the constitution of the United States; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2052) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Bruce E. Tarr, Ryan C. Fattman, Richard J. Ross, Patrick M.

O'Connor and other members of the General Court for legislation to fairly fund early voting; and (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2069) of Kevin J. Kuros (by vote of the town) for legislation to provide for recall elections in the town of Uxbridge, reports the accompanying Order (Senate, No. 2399).

For the committee,  
Anne M. Gobi

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In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)  
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1           *Ordered, That* the committee on Election Laws be authorized and directed to make an  
2 investigation and study of certain current Senate documents numbered 365, 366, 367, 368, 370,  
3 371, 372, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 387, 388, 389, 391, 392, 393,  
4 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 2052 and 2069 relative to election laws issues.