

By Mr. Businger of Brookline, petition of the Citizens for Participation Politics, John A. Businger, Martin A. Linsky, James J. Carrigan and Paul H. Guzzi for legislation to regulate the voting-at-large delegates and alternate delegates at national conventions of political parties. Election Laws.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Two.

AN ACT PROVIDING THAT AT-LARGE DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES TO THE NATIONAL CONVENTIONS SHALL VOTE ON THE FIRST ROLL CALL FOR THE WINNER OF THE PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE PRIMARY, AND THAT THE DISTRICT DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES SHALL VOTE FOR THE WINNER OF THE PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE PRIMARY IN THE DISTRICT FROM WHICH SUCH DISTRICT DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES WERE ELECTED.

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 70I of chapter 53 of the General Laws, as added by
2 chapter 407 of the acts of 1966, is hereby further amended by
3 inserting, at the end of the section, the following: — , such vote
4 to be apportioned as follows: delegates at large and alternate
5 delegates at large shall vote for the presidential candidate who
6 received a majority or plurality of all the votes cast for presi-
7 dential candidates in the Commonwealth in the presidential
8 preference primary; district delegates and alternate district dele-
9 gates shall vote for the presidential candidate who received a
10 majority or plurality of all the votes cast for presidential
11 candidates in the presidential preference primary in the district
12 from which such delegates and alternate delegates were elected.

