

HOUSE No. 1101

By Mr. Burke of Ipswich (by request), petition of Philip Barnet that candidates for nomination by political parties at state primaries for offices to be filled by voters of political districts be required to be certified as enrolled members of such party. Election Laws.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Three.

AN ACT REQUIRING CANDIDATES FOR NOMINATION BY A POLITICAL PARTY AT A STATE PRIMARY FOR AN OFFICE TO BE FILLED BY THE VOTERS OF CERTAIN POLITICAL DISTRICTS TO BE CERTIFIED AS ENROLLED MEMBERS OF SUCH PARTY.

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 forty-eight of chapter fifty-three of the
2 General Laws, as most recently amended by chap-
3 ter six hundred and seventy-five of the acts of nine-
4 teen hundred and forty-one, is hereby further amended
5 by striking out the paragraph inserted by chapter
6 two hundred and seventy-two of the acts of nine-
7 teen hundred and thirty-eight, and as amended by
8 chapter five hundred and sixty-three of the acts of
9 nineteen hundred and forty-one, and inserting in
10 place thereof the following paragraph:—

11 There shall not be printed on the ballot at a state
12 primary the name of any person as a candidate for
13 nomination for any office to be filled by all the voters
14 of the commonwealth, or of any subdivision thereof,
15 unless a certificate from the registrars of voters of
16 the city or town where such person resides that he is
17 enrolled as a member of the political party whose
18 nomination he seeks is filed with the state secretary
19 on or before the last day herein provided for filing
20 nomination papers. Said registrars shall issue such
21 a certificate forthwith upon request of any such
22 candidate so enrolled or of his authorized repre-
23 sentative.