

HOUSE No. 1787

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, February 26, 1947.

The committee on Mercantile Affairs, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 255) of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions and another for legislation relative to the power of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions to make provision by by-law for the election of persons to membership in said corporation, report the accompanying bill (House, No. 1787).

For the committee,

FRANCIS G. GREGORY.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE ELECTION OF PERSONS TO
MEMBERSHIP IN THE AMERICAN BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

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 21 of the acts of 1812 is hereby
2 amended by striking out section 5 and inserting in
3 place thereof the following: —

4 *Section 5.* The board may provide by by-law for the
5 admission, from time to time, to membership in the
6 corporation of any persons in such manner and upon
7 such conditions as such by-law shall prescribe, includ-
8 including election by a council, synod or convention
9 composed of delegates representing any churches or
10 groups of churches located within the United States.

1 SECTION 2. The authority granted by this act
2 shall be in addition to that granted by chapter one
3 hundred and ninety-two of the acts of nineteen hun-
4 dred and three, the provisions of which shall continue
5 in full force and effect.