

HOUSE No. 1153

By Mr. Scibelli of Springfield, petition of Daniel B. Brunton (mayor) and Anthony M. Scibelli for legislation to provide for open meetings of boards, commissions and committees in the city of Springfield. Cities.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-Four.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR OPEN MEETINGS OF ALL BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES IN THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Notwithstanding any provision of the city charter
2 or general or special law, all meetings of every board,
3 commission or committee established or created by
4 the city charter of the city of Springfield or by general
5 or special law, shall be open to the public and the
6 press unless such board, commission or committee by
7 a two-thirds vote of the members present votes to go
8 into executive session. "Executive session" shall
9 mean a discussion or deliberation of those matters
10 which by statute or ordinance cannot be made public
11 and those matters which would adversely affect the
12 public security, the financial interests of the city or
13 the reputation of any employee or citizen thereof, if
14 made public.

