

HOUSE No. 710

By Mr. Moakley of Boston, petition of John J. Moakley that candidates for public office be required to file statements relative to membership in the Communist Party. Election Laws.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO CANDIDATES FOR PUBLIC OFFICE MAKING KNOWN ANY COMMUNIST AFFILIATION.

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 45 of chapter 53 of the General Laws, as
2 amended by section 2 of chapter 537 of the acts of
3 1946, is hereby further amended by adding at the end
4 of said section 2 the following:— Any candidate for
5 office who is a member of the communist party at the
6 time of filing nomination papers or who has been a mem-
7 ber of the communist party within ten years immediately
8 preceding the filing shall so state on his nomination
9 papers, and shall state that he is a former member of
10 the communist party in any political advertising. Fail-
11 ure to so state such communist affiliation shall be pun-
12 ishable by a fine of one thousand dollars or imprisonment
13 for one year.

IN SENATE, FEBRUARY 11, 1870.
 REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE LAND OFFICE,
 IN ANSWER TO A RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE SENATE,
 JANUARY 11, 1869.

The Commissioners of the Land Office

to the Honorable Thomas D. Blount, Secretary of the Senate.

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It is ordered by the Senate and House of Representatives in their respective resolutions, that the following report be printed and distributed to the members of the Senate and House of Representatives.

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