

SENATE No. 818

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

SENATE, April 28, 1966.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to whom was referred the Senate amendment to the House Bill extending the time within which federal service personnel or others may be registered to vote (House, No. 767, changed and amended), reports recommending that the bill be amended by substituting therefor a new draft with the same title, (Senate, No. 818), and that, when so amended, the same will be correctly drawn.

For the committee,

JOHN E. HARRINGTON, JR.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT EXTENDING THE TIME WITHIN WHICH FEDERAL SERVICE PERSONNEL OR OTHERS MAY BE REGISTERED TO VOTE.

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

1 Chapter 51 of the General Laws is hereby amended by strik-
2 ing out section 50, as most recently amended by section 2 of
3 chapter 511 of the acts of 1962, and inserting in place thereof
4 the following section: —

5 *Section 50.* Any person, or his spouse or dependent, who
6 by reason of his service, or by reason of being with or accom-
7 panying a person serving, in the armed forces or merchant
8 marine of the United States, in the civilian employ of the
9 United States outside of the territorial limits of the United
10 States, was absent from the city or town of his legal residence
11 during the periods when sessions for the registration of voters
12 were held may appear before a registrar of voters of such
13 city or town, during regular business hours of any day the final
14 day for registration before a primary or election, as fixed by
15 section twenty-six, and, in accordance with this chapter, prove
16 his qualifications as a voter under section one and be regis-
17 tered, provided he so appears not less than one full day before
18 the polls are open on the day of a primary or election; but
19 such registration shall be subject to revision and acceptance
20 by the board. The provisions of this section shall not apply
21 to applications under section one A to qualify for voting for
22 electors of president and vice-president.