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By Mr. Boynton of Boston, petition of Gordon D. Boynton for requiring persons to exercise their right to vote at state elections and providing a penalty for failure so to do. Election Laws.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

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### AN ACT REQUIRING A PERSON TO EXERCISE HIS RIGHT TO VOTE AT STATE ELECTIONS.

*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 72 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding
- 2 at the end the following section: —
- 3 *Section 104.* Any person who, without just cause, fails to cast
- 4 his vote at a state election shall be punished by a fine of not more
- 5 than five dollars.

By the Commission on the Administration of the Government, in response to a resolution of the House of Representatives, passed July 1, 1946.

The Commission on the Administration of the Government

Report of the Commission on the Administration of the Government

It is the duty of the Commission to report to the House of Representatives on the results of its study of the administration of the Government during the period from July 1, 1945, to July 1, 1946.

The Commission was organized by the House of Representatives on July 1, 1945, and its members are listed in the appendix to this report.

The Commission has held numerous public hearings and has received many suggestions from the public. It has also conducted extensive research into the various agencies of the Government.

The Commission believes that the following recommendations will result in a more efficient and economical administration of the Government.

1. The Commission recommends that the Department of the Interior be reorganized to eliminate overlapping functions and to increase efficiency.

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