
By Mr. Nazzaro of Boston, petition of John F. Collins (mayor of Boston) and Michael A. Nazzaro, Jr., for legislation to abolish the poll tax. Taxation.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT ABOLISHING THE POLL TAX.

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 59 of the General Laws is hereby amended
2 by striking out section 1, as most recently amended by section 3
3 of chapter 186 of the acts of 1938, section 9, as most recently
4 amended by section 4 of chapter 342 of the acts of 1939, and
5 section 10, as most recently amended by section 28 of chapter
6 254 of the acts of 1933.

1 SECTION 2. Section 5 of said chapter 59 is hereby amended by
2 striking out, in line 1, the words "and polls".

1 SECTION 3. Clause eighteenth of said section 5, as appearing
2 in section 2 of chapter 227 of the acts of 1941, is hereby amended
3 by striking out, in line 1, the words "the polls and".

1 SECTION 4. Section 23A of said chapter 59, as appearing in
2 the Tercentenary Edition, is hereby amended by striking out,
3 in line 5, the words ", on polls,".

1 SECTION 5. The second sentence of section 29 of said chapter
2 59, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 8,
3 the words "polls and".

1 SECTION 6. Section 44 of said chapter 59, as so appearing, is
2 hereby amended by striking out, in line 2, the words "polls
3 and".

1 SECTION 7. Said chapter 59 is hereby amended by striking
2 out section 45, as most recently amended by section 2 of chapter
3 112 of the acts of 1948, including the form appended thereto, and
4 inserting in place thereof the following section: —

5 *Section 45.* Each town shall provide annually, on or before
6 January first, suitable books, for the use of its assessors in the
7 assessment of taxes, which shall contain blank columns, with
8 uniform headings for a valuation list, and blank tables for ag-
9 gregates, in such form as the commissioner shall from time to
10 time determine, or in such other form as he shall approve.

1 SECTION 8. Section 46 of said chapter 59, as appearing in the
2 Tercentenary Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in
3 line 2, the words "polls and".

1 SECTION 9. Chapter 60 of the General Laws is hereby amended
2 by striking out section 4, as amended by section 5 of chapter 342
3 of the acts of 1939.

1 SECTION 10. Chapter one hundred and sixty-seven of the acts
2 of nineteen hundred and twelve, section five of chapter ninety-
3 three of the Special Acts of nineteen hundred and eighteen, and
4 section three of chapter five hundred and fifty-two of the acts
5 of nineteen hundred and twenty are hereby repealed.

1 SECTION 11. This act shall take effect on January first, nine-
2 teen hundred and sixty-four.