

By Mr. Barrett, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 352) of Michael J. Barrett, Michael LoPresti, Jr., Paul J. Sheehy, Richard A. Kraus and Alvin Thompson for legislation to simplify campaign finance reporting for city, town and ward committees. Election Laws.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Nine.

AN ACT TO SIMPLIFY CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTING FOR CITY, TOWN AND WARD COMMITTEES.

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 55, section 18 as most recently amended is hereby
2 amended by adding after the last paragraph of said section 18 the
3 following new paragraph:

4 The provisions of this section requiring city, town and ward
5 committees to file reports shall not apply to any city, town or ward
6 committees which during any reporting period has not received
7 contributions in excess of fifty (50) dollars, incurred any liabilities,
8 nor made expenditures in excess of twenty-five (25) dollars. The
9 treasurer of said city, town or ward committee shall sign an
10 affidavit on a form provided by the director or in a letter stating
11 that said committee has not received contributions in excess of
12 fifty (50) dollars, incurred any liabilities, nor made expenditures
13 in excess of twenty-five (25) dollars. Said statement shall be signed
14 under the pains and penalties of perjury.

