

HOUSE No. 928

Bill accompanying the petition of Michael J. Sherry and others relative to town meetings in the town of Peabody. Towns. January 18.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifteen.

AN ACT

Relative to Town Meetings in the Town of Peabody

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. Section three of chapter seventy-eight of
2 the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eleven is
3 hereby amended by striking out the said section, and
4 inserting in place thereof the following:— *Section 3.*
5 Whenever any question is brought before the town
6 meeting involving the raising, paying or appropriating
7 of money, the disposal of any property of the town or
8 any interest therein or in any way creating a town debt or
9 expenditure, the vote upon such question shall be taken
10 by ballot, if before the main question is put to vote, ten
11 legal voters shall so request. Any amendment of the

12 report of the finance committee shall be placed on the
13 ballot. The ballot shall be prepared and voting booths
14 used as in the Australian ballot system.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect when accepted
2 by a majority of the voters of the town voting thereon
3 at any regular town meeting or at any special meeting
4 called for the purpose.