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By Mr. Sawyer of Ware (by request), petition of the State Executive Committee of the Socialist Party for a legislative amendment of the Constitution abolishing the Senate. Constitutional Law.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-Eight.

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### PROPOSAL FOR A LEGISLATIVE AMENDMENT OF THE CONSTITUTION TO ABOLISH THE SENATE.

1 A joint session of the Senate and House of Repre-  
2 sentatives hereby declares it to be expedient to alter  
3 the Constitution by the adoption of the following  
4 Article of Amendment, to the end that it may become  
5 a part of the Constitution, if similarly agreed to in a  
6 joint session of the next General Court and approved  
7 by the people at the state election next following:

8 ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.

9 The Senate is hereby abolished, such abolition to  
10 take effect at the end of the biennial year following  
11 the election at which the amendment is adopted. All  
12 uncompleted matters then before the Senate shall be  
13 referred to the House of Representatives and all  
14 powers and duties of the Senate shall be transferred to  
15 and vested in the House of Representatives. All bills  
16 passed by the House of Representatives but not yet  
17 acted on by the Senate shall be deemed to be passed  
18 by both houses of the General Court.

