

HOUSE No. 433.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Feb. 5, 1895.

[Introduced on leave by Mr. TEAMOH of Boston. Read and referred to committee on Election Laws.]

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety-five.

AN ACT

To provide for the Nomination of Candidates for the Board of Aldermen in the City of Boston directly by Caucus.

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. That nominations for candidates for the
2 board of aldermen in the city of Boston, made by the two
3 leading political parties, shall hereafter be made directly
4 at the caucuses held for municipal nominations by such
5 parties, and not, as has been the custom heretofore, by
6 conventions, or through committees.

1 SECT. 2. The name of no candidate for the nomina-
2 tion of alderman shall be placed upon the official ballot to
3 be used in the caucus for municipal nominations by the

4 political party he desires to represent, unless the nomina-
5 tion paper bearing his name shall contain the signatures
6 of not less than two hundred legal voters from any part
7 of the city of Boston, who are enrolled members of the
8 political party he wishes to represent. Every voter
9 signing such nomination paper shall sign in person, and
10 shall add to his signature the number of both his ward
11 and precinct, and the street and number, if any, of his
12 residence.

1 SECT. 3. Names of all such candidates for the nomi-
2 nation of candidate for alderman shall be alphabetically
3 arranged according to their surnames upon the official
4 ballot of the political party he desires to represent.
5 Against the name of the candidate for said nomination
6 shall be printed his occupation, if any, the number of the
7 ward in which he votes, the street and number, if any, of
8 his residence.

1 SECT. 4. The names of all such properly qualified
2 candidates for the nomination of candidate for alderman
3 shall appear upon the official ballot used in common in
4 all of the caucuses, on the same day or evening, held by
5 the political party of which he is a member.

1 SECT. 5. The enrolled voters of the political party
2 holding said caucuses, shall be entitled to vote for not
3 more than seven of the candidates whose names appear
4 on the official ballot. The seven candidates receiving
5 the highest number of votes cast in all of the caucuses
6 held by said political party in the city of Boston at the
7 same time shall be officially declared by the ward and
8 city committee of the same political party holding such
9 caucuses as the duly nominated and regular candidates of
10 the party for the board of aldermen.

1 SECT. 6. If two or more candidates receive the same
2 number of votes, they shall not be deemed nominated if
3 thereby a greater number of candidates would be nomi-
4 nated than are by law permitted.

1 SECT. 7. The provisions of chapter five hundred and
2 four of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-
3 four shall apply to nominations made under this act, ex-
4 cept as herein otherwise provided.

