

HOUSE No. 720.

[Bill accompanying the petition of James A. Montgomery for legislation relative to the nomination of candidates for representatives to the general court within the city of Cambridge. Election Laws. February 3.]

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Two.

AN ACT

Relative to the Nomination of Candidates for Representatives to the General Court within the City of Cambridge.

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. Nomination papers of candidates for rep-
2 resentatives to the general court for each of the Middlesex
3 representative districts within the city of Cambridge, to
4 be nominated by a political party, shall be signed by at
5 least five registered voters of each district, who shall be
6 members of the political party holding the caucus. Such
7 candidates for representatives shall be nominated by direct
8 plurality vote in caucuses of the party held in every
9 ward in the city, and the person who, in the aggregate of

10 all the ballots cast at all such caucuses, shall receive the
11 largest number of votes, shall be the candidate nomi-
12 nated.

1 SECTION 2. The city clerk of the city of Cambridge,
2 on receipt of the returns from the clerks of the several
3 caucuses, shall forthwith tabulate such returns and cer-
4 tify to the facts required by law in certificates of nomi-
5 nation for representatives to the general court, and shall
6 file such facts with the secretary of the Commonwealth
7 on or before the Thursday provided by law for filing such
8 certificates of nomination. The secretary of the Com-
9 monwealth shall place on the official ballots to be used at
10 state elections the names of all candidates for representa-
11 tives nominated and certified as aforesaid.

1 SECTION 3. All provisions of law relating to the
2 preparation of nomination papers and ballots, to caucuses
3 and elections, to ballots cast at caucuses and elections, to
4 recount of such ballots, and to certificates of nomination
5 of candidates for representatives to the general court,
6 shall, as far as they are applicable and not inconsistent
7 with this act, apply to the caucuses aforesaid, the ballots
8 cast thereat, the returns relating to such ballots, the re-
9 count of such ballots, and the certificates of nomination
10 made as aforesaid.

1 SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.