

HOUSE No. 615

Bill accompanying the petition of David F. Sullivan that persons absent from home be authorized to vote at state and national elections. Election Laws. January 15.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fourteen.

AN ACT

To authorize Voters who are absent from Home on State and National Election Days to have their Votes recorded.

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. A voter who is absent from the city or
2 town in which he is a voter on the day of a state or
3 national election may have his vote recorded by visiting
4 a justice of peace, stating that he is a qualified voter of
5 the city or town in which he resides, giving his age, the
6 street or number, if there be any, precinct and ward in
7 which he resides, and previous residence, if any, swear
8 or affirm that the answers given are correct, and that the
9 same be telegraphed to the city clerk, town clerk or elec-
10 tion commissioners, together with the name of the justice
11 of the peace, his office number, etc.: *provided*, that the

12 telegram be received not later than the hour for the clos-
13 ing of the polls.

1 SECTION 2. Whoever falsely sends or causes to be de-
2 livered a telegram purporting to be in accordance with
3 this act shall be punished by a fine of not less than one
4 hundred dollars, or by imprisonment for not less than
5 three months for each offence.

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