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By Mr. Hollis of Stoneham (by request), petition of William D. Swan for amendment of the method of adoption of uniform plans of city charters. Cities.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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

AN ACT CHANGING THE METHOD OF ADOPTION OF UNIFORM PLANS OF MUNICIPAL CHARTERS.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 General Laws, chapter forty-three, section twelve,  
2 as it appears in the Tercentenary Edition thereof, is  
3 hereby amended by substituting therefor a new sec-  
4 tion twelve, as follows:—

5 *Section 12. Vote on Other Plans.* If more than  
6 forty-five per cent of the total votes cast for and  
7 against the adoption of the plan proposed are cast  
8 in favor of the plan proposed, a petition proposing  
9 the same plan may be filed at any time following the  
10 election at which the plan is defeated, but if less than  
11 forty-five per cent of the votes cast for and against  
12 the plan proposed are cast in favor of the adoption  
13 of the plan, no petition proposing the same plan shall  
14 be filed within one year thereafter; but a petition  
15 proposing the adoption of one of the other plans pro-  
16 vided for in this chapter may be filed at any time  
17 thereafter, and, subject to section ten, proceedings  
18 thereon shall be had as though no prior petition under  
19 this chapter had been filed.

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