

By Mr. Nee of Boston, petition of Patrick W. Nee and another for legislation to provide longer terms for members of the school committee of the city of Boston. Cities.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Four.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE LONGER TERMS FOR THE BOSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

*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. Chapter 452 of the acts of 1948, as amended by  
2 chapter 376 of the acts of 1951, is hereby further amended by  
3 striking out section 18 and inserting in place thereof the follow-  
4 ing section:—

5 *Section 18.* At the regular election in the year nineteen hun-  
6 dred and sixty-five, there shall be elected at large, five members  
7 of the school committee, to serve from the first Monday in  
8 January following their election. The three persons who shall  
9 have received the largest number of votes shall hold their office  
10 for four years, and the two persons who have received the next  
11 largest number of votes shall hold their office for two years.  
12 Thereafter, at each regular election in which the mayor is elected,  
13 two members shall be elected for four-year terms and in each  
14 other regular election, three members shall be elected for four-  
15 year terms.

1 SECTION 2. Section 57C of said chapter is hereby amended by  
2 adding at the end thereof the following:—; and after nineteen  
3 hundred and sixty-five, if there are so posted the names of not  
4 more than four candidates for the office of school committeeman  
5 in the regular election in which the mayor is elected and six  
6 candidates for the office of school committeeman in each other  
7 regular election, the candidates whose names are so posted shall  
8 be deemed to have been nominated for said office, and the pre-

9 liminary election for the purpose of nominating candidates there-  
10 for shall be dispensed with.

1 SECTION 3. Section 59 of said chapter is hereby amended by  
2 inserting after the first sentence thereof the following sentence: —  
3 After nineteen hundred and sixty-five, in each regular election  
4 in which the mayor is elected, each voter shall be entitled to  
5 vote for not more than two candidates for the office of school  
6 committeeman and in each other regular election each voter  
7 shall be entitled to vote for not more than three candidates for  
8 the office of school committeeman.

1 SECTION 4. Section 61 of said chapter is hereby amended by  
2 adding after the first sentence thereof the following sentence: —  
3 After nineteen hundred and sixty-five, the four persons receiving  
4 at regular election in which the mayor is elected the highest  
5 number of votes for nomination for the office of school committee-  
6 man shall be deemed to have been nominated for said office and  
7 the six persons receiving at each other regular election the highest  
8 number of votes for nomination for the office of school committee-  
9 man shall be deemed to have been nominated for said office.

1 SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon its passage.