

SENATE No. 459

By Mr. Walsh, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 459) of Joseph B. Walsh for legislation to further regulate nomination for statewide office. Election Laws.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Three.

AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING NOMINATION FOR STATEWIDE OFFICE.

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 44 of chapter 53 of the General Laws is hereby
2 amended by striking out the second sentence and inserting in
3 place thereof the following sentence:— In the case of offices
4 to be filled by all the voters of the commonwealth nomination
5 papers shall, except as hereinafter provided, be signed in the
6 aggregate by not less than such number of voters as will equal
7 three percent of the entire vote cast for governor at the pre-
8 ceding state election in the commonwealth at large; no more
9 than one third of the required number of signatures shall be
10 from any one county.

By Mr. Walsh a petition accompanied by full names 250 100 of Joseph B. Walsh for nomination as Justice to succeed the late John B. Walsh.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy Three.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE NOMINATION OF JUSTICES OF THE

Peace in the County of Worcester, and to amend an Act in that behalf passed, and the authority of the same to be amended.

Section 44 of chapter 23 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out the second section and inserting in its place thereof the following sentence:— In the case of offices to be filled by all the voters of the Commonwealth nomination papers shall, except as hereinafter provided, be signed in the name of a person or persons, and shall contain the name of the person or persons, and shall be signed by not less than ten voters as will equal three percent of the entire vote cast for governor at the preceding state election in the Commonwealth at large, no more than one third of the signed number of signatures shall be from any one county.