By Mr. Businger of Brookline, petition of John A. Businger that provision be made for registrars of voter to hold registration sessions in the manner they deem effective. Election Laws.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Eight.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR REGISTRARS OF VOTERS TO HOLD REGISTRATION SESSIONS IN THE MANNER THEY DEEM EFFECTIVE.

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

Section 26 of Chapter 51 of the General Laws is hereby further

amended by striking out the first sentence, as amended by section

1 of chapter 236 of the acts of 1966, and inserting in place thereof

the following sentence: -

5 The registrars, for the purpose of registering voters and receiving applications to qualify under section one A for voting

7 for electors of president and vice president, in the manner

hereinafter provided, shall hold such day and evening sessions as 8

9 the town by by-law or the city by ordinance shall prescribe, and

10 such other sessions that they deem effective for the purpose of

11 registering voters, and they may, for such purposes, use mobile

registration units or any other method; but, except as provided

in sections thirty-four and fifty, there shall be no registration of

voters between ten o'clock in the evening on the thirty-first day

preceding, and the day following, the biennial state primary, the

16 presidential primary and the biennial state election, nor in any

city between ten o'clock in the evening on the twentieth day 17

18 preceding and the day following a city election, or a city primary

19 or preliminary election, nor in any town between ten o'clock in

20 the evening on the twentieth day preceding and the day following

the annual town meeting notwithstanding any contrary provision

22 in any special law.