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By Mr. Businger of Brookline, petition of the Massachusetts Chapter, Americans for Democratic Action, John A. Businger, David J. Mofenson, James J. Carrigan, Mario Umana and another for legislation to designate election day as a legal holiday. The Judiciary.

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## **The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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

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### AN ACT MAKING CERTAIN ELECTION DAYS LEGAL HOLIDAYS.

*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 62 of chapter 54 of the General Laws as most  
2 recently amended by section 5 of chapter 257 of the acts of  
3 1935 is hereby amended by striking out the words "governor,  
4 lieutenant governor, councillors, state secretary, state treasurer,  
5 attorney general, state auditor and" so that the first sentence  
6 of section 62 shall read: —

7 The biennial state election for the choice of senators and  
8 representatives in the general court shall be held on the Tues-  
9 day next after the first Monday in November in every even  
10 numbered year.

11 Said section 62 is hereby further amended by inserting after  
12 said first sentence the following: —

13 The day of such biennial state election shall be a legal  
14 holiday throughout the commonwealth.

15 Said section 62 is hereby further amended by striking out  
16 the last sentence of said section and inserting in place thereof  
17 the following: —

18 There shall also be chosen at the biennial state election,  
19 when required by law, the governor, lieutenant governor, coun-  
20 cillors, state secretary, state treasurer, attorney general, state

21 auditor, presidential electors, and senators in congress, and, in  
22 their respective counties or districts, representatives in congress,  
23 district attorneys, clerks of the courts, registers of probate and  
24 insolvency, registers of deeds, county commissioners, sheriffs  
25 and county treasurers.