

By Mr. Flaherty of Boston, petition of Michael F. Flaherty that provision be made for voters to receive the ballot of any political party in a primary election. Election Laws.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT ALLOWING CROSSOVER VOTING IN THE PRIMARY ELECTIONS.

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. Section 38 of chapter 53 of the General Laws is
2 hereby amended by striking the entire section in its present form
3 and inserting in place thereof the following: —

4 *Section 38. Voter Enrolled In One Political Party May Receive*
5 *Ballot Of Another Political Party.* The political party enrollment
6 of a voter shall not preclude him from receiving at a presidential
7 primary or a state primary or special state primary or city or town
8 primary the ballot of any political party, provided in no one pri-
9 mary shall he receive more than one party ballot.

1 SECTION 2. Chapter 53 of the General Laws is hereby amend-
2 ed by inserting after section 38A the following new section: —

3 *Section 38B. Establishing, Changing Or Cancelling Party En-*
4 *rollment.* A voter may, establish, change or cancel his enrollment
5 by forwarding to the board of registrar of voters a certificate signed
6 by such voter under the pains and penalties of perjury, requesting
7 to have his enrollment established with a party, changed to another
8 party, or cancelled, or by appearing in person before a member of
9 said board and requesting in writing that his enrollment be so
10 established, changed or cancelled. Except as otherwise provided in
11 section twelve of chapter four, sections one and two of chapter
12 fifty-two, sections twenty-six, forty A and forty-eight of this chap-
13 ter, such enrollment, change or cancellation shall take effect
14 forthwith following the receipt by said board of such certificate, or
15 such appearance, as the case may be.

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