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By Mr. Curley of Springfield, petition of John G. Curley for reapportioning of the members of the common council in the city of Springfield among the several wards thereof. Cities.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-One.

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AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE REAPPORTIONING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMON COUNCIL IN THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD AMONG THE SEVERAL WARDS THEREOF.

*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. Notwithstanding any provision of  
2 general or special law to the contrary, the city council  
3 of the city of Springfield shall in joint convention  
4 prior to July first in the year nineteen hundred and  
5 fifty-one and in every fifth year thereafter, reappor-  
6 tion the members of the common council among the  
7 several wards of said city in order that, after the  
8 assignment to each ward of one member as provided  
9 by the charter of said city, the residue shall be equita-  
10 bly divided according to the population of the several  
11 wards. In the event no action is taken by the said  
12 city council to reapportion the members of the com-  
13 mon council prior to July first in the year nineteen  
14 hundred and fifty the board of aldermen of said city  
15 shall, within ten days thereafter, reapportion the  
16 members of the common council, as aforesaid.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its  
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