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HOUSE No. 15.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year of our Lord one Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty.

AN ACT

In addition to an Act, establishing the City of Boston.

- 1 Sec. 1. BE it enacted by the Senate and House
- 2 of Representatives in General Court assembled and
- 3 by authority of the same, That the act establishing
- 4 the City of Boston, be so far amended, as to author-
- 5 ize the Wardens and Inspectors of elections, or
- 6 other presiding officers, legally qualified as such,
- 7 when presiding at any meeting of citizens, called
- 8 for the purpose of electing any United States, State,
- 9 or Municipal Officers-or for any other purpose for

10 which the qualified voters may be called, to give in 11 their ballots for their several Wards-to place the 12 names of qualified voters upon the Lists. And the 13 said presiding officers are hereby authorized for, 14 and during the time, that the polls may be kept open, 15 to do, and perform, all the duties, and shall be sub-16 ject to all the penalties, in relation to the adjudging 17 of the qualifications of voters, that now by law attach 18 to, or are vested in the Selectmen or Moderator, of 19 any meeting in the several towns of this Common-20 wealth. And the said presiding officers shall, upon 21 the request of any citizen, and his furnishing suffi-22 cient evidence of his having the legal qualifications 23 of a voter, at any meeting held for either of the 24 above named purposes, place his name upon the 25 lists and receive his vote. Provided nevertheless, 26 that this power shall not extend to the erasing of 27 any name, or the rejecting of any vote, offered by a 28 person having his name upon the voting lists when 29 received by the Clerk of said Ward. 1 Sec. 2. Be it further enacted, That it shall be 2 the duty of the Clerks of the several Wards to keep 3 a record of the name or names of the person or per-

4 sons which shall, by the said officers have been 5 placed upon the lists and to make a return of the 6 same, together with the professional calling of each, 7 to the Mayor and Aldermen at the time return is 8 made of the other doings of said meeting.

1 Sec. 3. Be it further enacted, That every citi2 zen whose name is on the first Monday of April
3 borne upon the voting list of the Ward in which he
4 shall have been last taxed for his poll, shall have
5 and exercise his right, in said Ward for one year
6 from said day. And every person whose name may
7 have been omitted on said lists shall have the same
8 placed only upon the lists of the Ward in which he
9 shall have been last taxed—as also every person
10 who may be by law exempt from taxation, or who
11 shall be otherwise qualified to vote, shall have his
12 name placed upon the lists of the Ward in which
13 they may reside, and they shall exercise their right
14 only in said Ward for and during one year from said
15 first Monday of April.

- 1 Sec. 4. Be it further enacted, That an Act en2 titled "An Act to establish the City of Boston,"
 3 passed February twenty third, in the year of our
 4 Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-two,
 5 so far as the same is inconsistent with the provisions
 6 of this act;—and also the third section of an act
 7 passed February eleventh, eighteen hundred and
 8 twenty-three, entitled "An Act in addition to an Act
 9 to establish the City of Boston—be, and the same
- 1 Sec. 5. Be it further enacted, That this Act shall 2 take effect

10 are hereby repealed.