

HOUSE No. 5166

By Mr. Nardone of Watertown, petition of Charles G. Tobin and Robert L. Nardone that the Secretary of the Commonwealth be required to provide electronic voting ballots for municipal elections. Election Laws.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE PROVIDING OF ELECTRONIC VOTING BALLOTS FOR MUNICIPAL 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 45 of chapter 54 of the General Laws, as amended by
2 section 9 of chapter 564 of the acts of 1967, is hereby amended by
3 striking out the third paragraph and inserting in place thereof the
4 following paragraph:—

5 Where voting machines or electronic voting systems are used,
6 the State Secretary in state and federal elections and the city or
7 town clerk in municipal elections, as the case may be, shall
8 provide not less than one set plus ten per cent of the ballots used
9 by the voters. When using a punch card electronic voting device
10 the ballot consists of ballot label, data processing ballot card, and
11 write-in ballot envelope for each marking unit used. Official
12 ballots shall also be furnished where voting machines are used, in
13 accordance with section thirty-five A.

