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Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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SENATE, March 12, 1895.

The committee on Election Laws, to whom was referred the Bill relative to replacing defective ballot boxes (Senate, No. 63, introduced on leave), report that the same ought to pass in a new draft herewith submitted.

For the Committee,

GEORGE A. GALLOUPE.

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety-five.

### AN ACT

Relative to replacing Defective Ballot Boxes.

*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. The secretary of the Common-  
2 wealth shall recall and cause to be returned to  
3 him all ballot boxes, the property of the Common-  
4 wealth, now held by the cities and towns of the  
5 Commonwealth, that are defective in the register-  
6 ing or cancelling of every ballot deposited therein  
7 or that are in any other way inaccurate or un-  
8 serviceable.

1 SECT. 2. For each and every defective ballot  
2 box recalled and returned as required by section  
3 one of this act, the secretary of the Common-  
4 wealth shall furnish and substitute another ballot  
5 box, and such ballot boxes so furnished and sub-  
6 stituted shall be purchased and approved in  
7 accordance with the provisions of section one

8 hundred and twenty-three of chapter four hun-  
9 dred and seventeen of the acts of the year  
10 eighteen hundred and ninety-three.

1    SECT. 3. Whenever the ballot boxes required  
2 by section two of this act are purchased and  
3 approved, the persons of whom such ballot boxes  
4 shall be purchased shall guarantee and warrant  
5 the perfect and continued working of the same,  
6 while they are used in a reasonable and proper  
7 manner, without expense or cost to the Common-  
8 wealth on such account, and shall give to the  
9 secretary of the Commonwealth a bond, with  
10 good and sufficient sureties, for the faithful  
11 execution of said guarantee and warrant, and the  
12 said bond shall be for such an amount and for  
13 such period of time as the parties officially ap-  
14 proving said ballot boxes shall deem necessary  
15 and proper.

1    SECT. 4. This act shall take effect upon its  
2 passage.

