

HOUSE No. 857

By Messrs. Lindstrom of Cambridge, Serino of Cambridge and Winslow of Cambridge, petition of Francis W. Lindstrom, Henry D. Winslow, A. John Serino and others relative to recounts of votes in other than state wide recounts. Election Laws.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATIVE TO RECOUNTS OF VOTES OTHER THAN STATE WIDE RECOUNTS.

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 135 of chapter 54 of the General Laws,
2 as amended, is hereby further amended by adding
3 at the end of the first paragraph the following sen-
4 tence: — No such petition for a recount other than a
5 state-wide recount, shall be allowed unless the city
6 or town clerk certifies thereon that the difference in
7 the number of votes cast for the two leading candi-
8 dates for the office, or in the number of affirmative
9 or negative votes on a question for which the recount
10 is desired is less than two per cent of the total number
11 of votes cast for such office or on such question.

