

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts AN INITIATIVE PETITION **FOR A LAW**

Under Article XLVIII of the Amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth

SUMMARY

This proposed law would permit eligible individuals to register to vote or update their voter registration address on Election Day.

An individual who is eligible to vote could register to vote on Election Day by going to the polling place in the precinct where they live during voting hours and presenting proof of residency and signing a written oath. Proof of residency could be a valid photo identification, or documentation showing the individual's name and the address where the individual resides, such as a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, residential lease, wireless telephone statement, paycheck, current student fee statement or other document from a post-secondary school, or another government document or correspondence. The written oath would require the individual to certify that they are a citizen of the United States, are at least 18 years old, are not legally prohibited from voting, and have not and will not vote in the same election at another location.

FILING DEADLINES. Initiative petitions must be submitted to local election officials for certification of signatures no later than 5 p.m. on Wednesday, November 19, 2025. Local election officials must complete their certification no later than December 1, 2025. Thereafter, initiative petitions containing certified signatures must be retrieved by petitioners from the local election officials and then filed with the Elections Division, Office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, One Ashburton Place, Room 1705, Boston, MA, no later than 5 p.m. on Wednesday, December 3, 2025.

The oath would require the individual to acknowledge that providing false information is a felony punishable by not more than 5 years imprisonment or a fine of not more than \$10,000, or both.

If an individual did not present proof of residency, they would be allowed to cast a provisional ballot, which would be counted only if the individual returned to provide the required information before the close of polls for a municipal election; within two days after a state primary; or within six days after a state election.

Individuals who register to vote on Election Day would be registered to vote in future elections as well as in the election taking place that day.

Individuals who are already registered to vote would not be able to change their political party affiliation on Election Day.

The proposed law would take effect on January 1, 2028.

Norma B. Shulman 13 Alfred Road Framingham William Francis Galvin 46 Lake Street **Boston** 10 Yorks Road Stephanie A. Deeley Framingham 770 Samuel Drive Lisa Ferguson Northbridge Barbara J. Fonte 21 Joseph Road Framingham Jeanne Irene Bullock 22 Pinewood Drive Framingham **Nancy Beth Stoodt** 615 Belknap Road Framingham Larry E. Stoodt 615 Belknap Road Framingham Maria C. Curtatone 37 Munroe Street Somerville **Peter James Adams** 7 Jolicoeur Road Spencer

These names have been certified as names of registered voters in their places of residence. Original petition was filed on September 3, 2025.

SPONSORS OF THIS PETITION REQUEST CIRCULATOR INFORMATION

THAT YOU RETURN THIS PETITION TO: Petition Y 444 Washington Street

Brighton, MA 02135

ONLY REGISTRAR MAY WRITE IN THIS AREA

SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

FIRST TEN SIGNERS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CIRCULATORS AND SIGNERS

- DO NOT ALTER THIS INITIATIVE PETITION IN ANY WAY, ADDITIONAL MARKINGS ON THIS PETITION WILL DISQUALIFY ANY SIGNATURES ON THIS PETITION SHEET.
- · For your signature to be valid, you must be a registered voter in the city or town named below and your signature should be written substantially as registered. DO NOT sign the same petition more than once.
- If you are prevented by physical disability from writing, you may authorize some person to write your name and residence in your presence.

REGISTRAR USE ONLY		I. SIGNATURE to be made in person with name substantially as registered (except in case of physical disability as stated above)	II. NOW REGISTERED AT (street, number and apartment number, if any) (city or town will be the same as stated below)	WARD	PREC.
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CERTIFICATION OF NAMES			At least three registrars' names must be signed or stamped below.			
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	_	natures checked thus 🗸 are the names of qualified voters city or town.				
		date	Registrars of Voters or Election Commissioners of			

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