

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 698

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By Mr. Sannicandro of Ashland, petition of Tom Sannicandro relative to the counting of ballots for candidates for election to the General Court. Election Laws.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand and Seven.  
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AN ACT RELATIVE TO ELECTION TO THE GENERAL COURT.

1     *Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tender to  
2     defeat its purpose which is to regulate elections to the general  
3     court, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law nec-  
4     essary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1     Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, any  
2     candidate for election to the general court whose name appears on  
3     the ballot who dies prior to the date of election shall have all votes  
4     cast for such candidate counted as if such candidate had survived.