

INITIATIVE PETITION FOR A LAW TO REQUIRE VOTER IDENTIFICATION IN MASSACHUSETTS

Be it enacted by the People, and by their authority:

Chapter 54 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following Section 163:

“To affirm the integrity of the electoral process, each prospective voter before being given a ballot on election day at a polling place, each prospective voter must present identification to a properly designated poll worker, which identification must have been issued by a branch of the United States government or of the Commonwealth or by a tribal authority recognized by either the United States or the Commonwealth and must include a picture of the prospective voter. Should any person fail to present such identification, he or she may choose to execute an affidavit attesting to his or her identity, residence, and citizenship, in which case such person shall be given a ballot.

“Each prospective voter voting pursuant to Section 25B of Chapter 54 of the General Laws shall include in the inner envelope with their completed ballot a copy of their identification, which identification must have been issued by a branch of the United States government or of the Commonwealth or by a tribal authority recognized by either the United States or the Commonwealth and must include a picture of the prospective voter. Should any person fail to include such identification, he or she must attest to his or her identity, residence, and citizenship on the affidavit of compliance.”

We have personally reviewed the above final text of this Initiative Petition, fully subscribe to its contents, and agree to be one of the original signers of the petition.

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