



Marine Corps League
Department of North Carolina



From: Tom Bates, Bylaws Committee Member, DoNC
Attn: DoNC Adjutant
Subject: Proposed Revision to Current DoNC Bylaws
Date: Sunday, September 18, 2022

References:

1. Marine Corps League National Bylaws, 2021 Edition, effective 13 August 2021
2. Marine Corps League National Administrative Procedures, 2021 Edition, effective 13 August 2021
3. Department of North Carolina, Marine Corps League Department Bylaws, dtd 30 June 2018

Target:

Article Eight - Miscellaneous, Section 800 - Amendments

Current:

A. The Department Bylaws may be revised, amended or repealed by a majority vote of the properly registered and approved Delegates in attendance at the annual Department Convention, provided that the proposed revision, amendment or repeal is submitted to the Department Headquarters not less than sixty days prior to the Department Convention at which said proposal is to be considered. Submission of proposed revision, amendments or repeals will be in typewritten form and will be in the exact wording intended. Submission should be sent by U.S. Mail or by E-Mail. All amendments are subject to the approval of National Judge Advocate.

B. The Departmental Adjutant will distribute copies of each proposal, without personal comments, to each existing Detachment no later than thirty (30) days prior to the Department Convention at which the proposal is to be considered.

Proposed Revision:

ADD:

C. The Department Bylaws and Department Administrative Procedures may be revised to mirror or match the National Bylaws without a requirement of approval at the annual Department Convention. Typographical error correction and format changes will also not require approval at the annual Department Convention.

Rationale:

Article Eight, Section 810, NBL states: "A Department Convention shall adopt Department Bylaws and may adopt Administrative Procedures which are

consistent with the National Charter, the National Bylaws, and National Administrative Procedures, provided they have been approved by the National Judge Advocate and are on file at National Headquarters. “.

Departments are required to maintain Bylaws that are “consistent with the National Charter, the National Bylaws, and National Administrative Procedures”. We cannot vote against modifications to the Department Bylaws and Department Administrative Procedures that place the Department in compliance with Article 8, Section 810. Drafting, reading, and voting on these changes is not required and should be stopped.

Semper Fidelis.

Respectfully Submitted,

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