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To: Department of North Carolina Bylaws Committee
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Subj: Proposed Department Bylaws Amendment – Section 102

In accordance with the Bylaws and Administrative Procedures, Article Eight, Section 800, the following is submitted for consideration by the body assembled at the 2022 North Carolina Department Convention.

CURRENT:

SECTION 102 - VOTING - A majority of those Delegates present and voting will carry any measure or decide any issue, except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws. There shall be no proxy voting. A roll call vote may be required and recorded upon the request of any three (3) registered and approved Delegates from a Detachment. The roll call of a Detachment will be ordered and each Delegate shall rise and be identified as an approved delegate before casting the Detachment vote.

CHANGE RATIONALE:


It makes no sense that, “A roll call vote may be required and recorded upon the request of any three (3) registered and approved Delegates from a Detachment.” If a roll call vote is requested, it could be argued that Section 102 requires that **three delegates from the same detachment** make that request. “from a Detachment.” should be removed and Section 102 be reworded to the proposed language. Also, in practice\ the presiding officer has been calling for a roll call vote if a voice vote is close. The proposed amendment authorizes the presiding officer to call for that roll call vote.

Also, the last sentence is not being followed and will cause an undue time constraint if enforced. The roll call votes have been counted at the detachment level total not voiced by each delegate. The following proposed amendment reflects the current practice used when a roll call vote is used.

PROPOSED VERBAIGE:

SECTION 102 - VOTING - A majority of those Delegates present, and voting will carry any measure or decide any issue, except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws. There shall be no proxy voting. A roll call vote may be required and recorded upon the request the presiding officer or of any three (3) registered and approved Delegates. For a roll call vote the senior Delegate from each Detachment shall rise when called upon and voice the vote distribution of that Detachment.

Respectfully Submitted,


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