

REQUESTED BY-LAW CHANGES

The following change to the By-Laws is requesting that the Finance Committee and the Audit committee be combined, which in turn eliminates the necessity of an Audit Committee.

Finance. Shall consist of not less than four members of the Association, as prescribed in the SOP. It shall present a proposed budget to the Executive Council to govern financial activities of the Association. **Shall also select an outside accounting agency to audit the finance records of the association when an audit is called for by the executive council.**

The following change to the By-Laws is also requesting that the Legislative Committee and the Resolutions Committee be combined as both committees deal with legislation and shall be re-named as the Joint Resolutions Committee.

Joint Resolutions. **Shall consist of not less than four members of the Association, as prescribed in the SOP. It shall prepare, request the introduction of, and support legislation required to implement the policies of the Association. And shall also consider all resolutions presented and make its recommendations to the membership at the Annual Conference.**

ADDITIONAL BY-LAW PROPOSED CHANGES

Add the following to Article II:

Section 3. Suffrage – All members in good standing for the current year, who are eligible to vote as identified in Article II above, are allowed to and may cast one vote during such activities.

Delete the following: Article IV, Executive Council, Section 4. Proxy voting not permitted.

Replace with:

Article IV, Executive Council, Section 4. Proxy vote. Any member of the Executive Council who cannot attend a scheduled or unscheduled Executive Council meeting will be allowed to proxy vote. The proxy vote may be given to any member of the Executive Council attending the Executive Council meeting except the President. The individual allowing the proxy vote must do so in

writing, which must be presented to the President-Elect and Secretary for verification prior to the start of the Executive Council meeting. The Secretary will record the individual extending the proxy vote and the individual receiving the proxy vote in the minutes of the Executive Council meeting. The written authorization for a proxy vote will include as a minimum; 1) to whom the proxy vote is given, 2) the date for which the proxy vote may be cast, 3) any limitations to the proxy vote (not required), and 4) the name and signature of the individual allowing the proxy vote. The normal signature or an electronic signature similar to a CAC signature will be accepted. Word signatures or any other wording not considered a signature by the President-Elect or the Secretary will not be acceptable. The individual holding the proxy vote will carry the voting ability for as many proxy votes as he/she has been authorized and this number will count toward the quorum requirement. Proxy votes do not count toward the James E. Hurt award requirement.

Delete the following: Article VIII, Conferences, Section 2. Quorum and Voting. b. Proxy voting not permitted.

Replace with:

Article VIII, Conferences, Section 2. Quorum and Voting. b. Proxy vote. Any member of the Virginia National Guard Association who cannot attend the Annual Membership Meeting or any unscheduled membership meeting will be allowed to proxy vote. The individual allowing the proxy vote must do so at least one week prior to the meeting as indicated by email date time group or USPS postmark. The proxy vote will be extended to one of the following elected officers; the President-Elect, the Vice President-Air, and Vice President-Army. The elected officer holding the proxy votes will carry the voting ability for as many proxy votes he/she has been authorized and this number will count toward the quorum requirement. Proxy votes do not count toward the James E. Hurt award requirement.