



## 2025 Bylaws Amendment Proposal with Advance Notice

### Proposal 1

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### Reason

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The delegates at the annual convention should be the final authority of all party business, but currently there is no provision in the Bylaws to allow the membership to remove members of the Executive Committee, including officers, whose terms aren't already expiring at the close of the current convention. If a vast majority of the membership deems the performance of an Executive Committee member, or officer unsatisfactory, they should have the authority to remove the offending member.

If the delegates at the convention vote for the removal of an Executive Committee member, or officer, that seat shall be deemed vacant immediately, and the delegates will then vote for a new individual to fill that position. Further, any member of the Executive Committee that has been removed by delegates during the convention shall not have the ability to appeal to the Judicial Committee, as that would allow three people to overturn the will of the delegates.

At the 2024 convention concerns were raised that this provision would allow a small number of delegates to remove a newly elected member of the executive committee prior to adjournment, therefore this amendment has been revised such that any removal must happen prior to elections and the motion would require the RONR suggested thresholds for motions made without advance notice to be either 2/3 of those voting or a majority of all registered delegates, whichever is the greater number of votes.

This provision should have always been the right of the membership, so this amendment corrects an ongoing oversight in our Bylaws.

### Impact

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This amendment would allow the Central Committee members present and at the annual convention to remove a member of the Executive Committee that is not up for reelection at that convention, and if the vote threshold is met that seat shall be considered vacant immediately with no possibility for appeal.

### Legend

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## Proposed Amendment

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Motion: Add Bylaw 11, Officers, Section 8, and renumber.

### Bylaw 6: Membership

#### Section 8

A member of the Executive Committee, including officers, that is not up for reelection at the current annual convention, may be removed from office by motion, without previous notice, with a 2/3 vote of the delegates present and voting, or by the vote of a majority of all registered delegates, whichever is the greater number of votes. The seat shall be declared vacant immediately after the vote, and that removal shall not be subject to appeal to the Judicial Committee. The motion to remove must be made prior to taking up the agenda item for elections, and any resulting vacancy created by removal shall be filled during elections.

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## 2025 Bylaws Amendment Proposal with Advance Notice

### Proposal 2

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### Reason

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At the 2021 Convention, the delegates adopted a bylaws amendment that required someone who had resigned their Central Committee membership, if they were to change their mind and seek reinstatement, to have a vetting period prior restoration of their full voting rights. At the time of the convention it was understood that reinstatement could happen one of two ways; a member could rejoin as an “Associate” non-voting member for a period of 12 months and then be automatically reinstated as a central committee (voting) member, **OR** the executive committee, or delegates at convention, could reinstate the central committee membership with a majority vote at any time. However, the way that the bylaw was written has been interpreted to mean that in both cases the central committee membership could be reinstated only with a vote of either the executive committee or the delegates at convention.

This amendment would make it clear that there are two paths to regaining central committee membership after resignation. Further, the 12-month period is punitive; it would be more in line with the bylaws' other vetting requirements that the time requirement to be only 90 days.

Additionally, the way that Section 4 is written, it could be interpreted that simply lapsing in dues would require the procedures set forth in Section 7. Per Bylaw 6 dues are required to be current, therefore the extra language in Section 4 is unnecessary and possibly misleading. Further, the reference to Section 6 was in error when originally passed.

### Impact

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This amendment would make clear the path to central committee membership after a requested termination and would reduce the time requirement for reinstating central committee membership. It would also remove language regarding termination due to lapsing on dues.

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## Proposed Amendment

Motion: Amend Bylaw 6: Membership, Sections 4 and 7 as follows:

Current Bylaw	Proposed Amendment	Bylaw as Amended
<p><b>Bylaw 6: Membership</b></p> <p><i>Section 4</i></p> <p>The Secretary automatically shall terminate a State Central Committee membership if that member requests in writing such termination, or if, except for elected Central Committee members, that member fails to remit prescribed dues by that member's renewal date.</p> <p><i>Section 7</i></p> <p>A. Any individual wishing to renew their membership, having previously requested the termination of their membership through the means prescribed in Section 4, shall do so in an associate, non-voting member <u>role</u>, and shall be eligible for full reinstatement as a Central Committee member following</p>	<p><b>Bylaw 6: Membership</b></p> <p><i>Section 4</i></p> <p>The Secretary <del>automatically</del> shall terminate a State Central Committee membership if that member requests in writing such termination, <del>or if, except for elected Central Committee members, that member fails to remit prescribed dues by that member's renewal date.</del></p> <p><i>Section 7</i></p> <p><del>A.</del> Any individual wishing to renew their membership, having previously requested the termination of their membership through the means prescribed in Section 4, shall do so <del>in</del> <b><u>as</u></b> an associate, non-voting member <del>role</del>, and shall be <del>eligible for full reinstatement</del> <b><u>reinstated</u></b> as a Central Committee</p>	<p><b>Bylaw 6: Membership</b></p> <p><i>Section 4</i></p> <p>The Secretary shall terminate a State Central Committee membership if that member requests in writing such termination.</p> <p><i>Section 7</i></p> <p>Any individual wishing to renew their membership, having previously requested the termination of their membership through the means prescribed in Section 4, shall do so as an associate, non-voting member, and shall be reinstated as a Central Committee member following a period of 90 days ,OR</p> <p>Full Central Committee membership status may be reinstated at any time by a majority vote of the Executive Committee or by a</p>

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<p>a period of 12 consecutive months.</p> <p>B. Full Central Committee membership status may be reinstated at any time by a majority vote of the Executive Committee or by a majority of those Central Committee delegates present and voting at Convention.</p> <p>C. This rule shall not apply to any membership terminated through Sections 5 or 6.</p>	<p>member following a period of <del>12</del> <b><u>90</u></b> <del>consecutive months</del> <b><u>days</u></b>. <b><u>OR</u></b></p> <p><del>B.</del> Full Central Committee membership status may be reinstated at any time by a majority vote of the Executive Committee or by a majority of <del>those Central Committee</del> delegates present and voting at Convention.</p> <p><del>C.</del> This rule shall not apply to any membership terminated through Sections 5 <del>or 6</del>.</p>	<p>majority of delegates present and voting at Convention.</p> <p>This rule shall not apply to any membership terminated through Sections 5.</p>
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## 2025 Bylaws Amendment Proposal with Advance Notice

### Proposal 3

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### Reason

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This amendment will be in two parts, as the first part shouldn’t be controversial.

**Part One:** In Bylaw 8 regarding Dues Sharing, it includes the date July 1, 2013 which is a legacy of prior amendments (this bylaw was last amended in 2020). It also states that the “Chair” can approve payment options and per the bylaws that should be the full executive committee.

**Part Two:** Last year a proposal was made to no longer have dues sharing between the state party and the counties. One of the reasons given is that there is often a cost associated with cultivating new members, and therefore it’s unfair to share the dues without sharing the costs. Prior to amendment in 2020 dues were shared only for renewals, and the organization that cultivated the original “new” membership kept 100% of the dues. That system did account for the cost of acquisition, so this amendment would return it back the provisions prior to 2020.

### Impact

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**Part One** would have no impact. **Part Two** would revert dues sharing back to the procedures in place prior to 2020.

### Proposed Amendment

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**Motion One:** Amend Bylaw 8: Dues Sharing in the first paragraph and Section 2, as follows:

Current Bylaw	Proposed Amendment	Bylaw as Amended
<b>Bylaw 8: Dues Sharing</b> The state Party and the county Parties are encouraged to actively pursue new members and renewing	<b>Bylaw 8: Dues Sharing</b> The state Party and the county Parties are encouraged to actively pursue new members and renewing	<b>Bylaw 8: Dues Sharing</b> The state Party and the county Parties are encouraged to actively pursue new members and renewing

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<p>membership. As of July 1, 2013, dues collected by the state or county Parties shall be shared as follows.</p> <p><b><i>Section 2: Collection of Dues</i></b></p> <p>Collection of dues includes receiving cash, checks, money orders, authorized billing information, or other consideration approved by the state Party Chair, as well as donations through online services that are initiated directly from the organization's website or e-mail appeal.</p>	<p>membership. <del>As of July 1, 2013, d</del>Dues collected by the state or county Parties shall be shared as follows.:</p> <p><b><i>Section 2: Collection of Dues</i></b></p> <p>Collection of dues includes receiving cash, checks, money orders, authorized billing information, or other consideration approved by the state <u>Executive Committee</u> <del>Party Chair</del>, as well as donations through online services that are initiated directly from the organization's website or e-mail appeal.</p>	<p>membership. Dues collected by the state or county Parties shall be shared as follows:</p> <p><b><i>Section 2: Collection of Dues</i></b></p> <p>Collection of dues includes receiving cash, checks, money orders, authorized billing information, or other consideration approved by the state Executive Committee, as well as donations through online services that are initiated directly from the organization's website or e-mail appeal.</p>
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**Motion Two:** Amend Bylaw 8: Dues Sharing as follows (this motion assumes that motion one passed):

Current Bylaw	Proposed Amendment	Bylaw as Amended
<p><b>Bylaw 8: Dues Sharing</b></p> <p>The state Party and the county Parties are encouraged to actively pursue new members and renewing</p>	<p><b>Bylaw 8: Dues Sharing</b></p> <p>The state Party and the county Parties are encouraged to actively pursue new members and renewing</p>	<p><b>Bylaw 8: Dues Sharing</b></p> <p>The state Party and the county Parties are encouraged to actively pursue new members and renewing</p>

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<p>membership. Dues collected by the state or county Parties shall be shared as follows:</p> <p><b><i>Section 1: New Membership Dues</i></b></p> <p>A new member is one who has no membership record in the state Party's database at the time they pay annual membership dues. A renewing member is one who has a record of membership in the state Party's database at the time they pay their dues. The state and county Party organizations shall split the new and renewal membership dues 50/50.</p> <p><b><i>Section 2: Collection of Dues</i></b></p> <p>Collection of dues includes receiving cash, checks, money orders, authorized billing information, or other consideration approved by the state Executive</p>	<p>membership. Dues collected by the state or county Parties shall be shared as follows:</p> <p><b><i>Section 1: New <del>and Renewing</del> Membership Dues</i></b></p> <p>A new member is one who has no membership record in the state Party's database at the time they pay annual membership dues. <del><i>A renewing member is one who has a record of membership in the state Party's database at the time they pay their dues.</i></del> The state <del>and</del> <u>or</u> county Party organization<del>s</del> <u>that collects annual membership dues from a new member shall retain 100% of that member's dues for their first year of membership</u> <del>shall split the new and renewal membership dues 50/50.</del></p> <p><b><u>Section 2: Renewing Membership Dues</u></b></p>	<p>membership. Dues collected by the state or county Parties shall be shared as follows:</p> <p><b><i>Section 1: New Membership Dues</i></b></p> <p>A new member is one who has no membership record in the state Party's database at the time they pay annual membership dues. The state or county Party organizations that collect annual membership dues from a new member shall retain 100% of that member's dues for their first year of membership.</p> <p><b><i>Section 2: Renewing Membership Dues</i></b></p> <p>A renewing member is one who has a record of membership in the state Party's database at the time they pay their dues. The state and county Party organizations shall split the renewal membership dues 50/50.</p>
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<p>Committee, as well as donations through online services that are initiated directly from the organization’s website or e-mail appeal.</p> <p><b><i>Section 3: Duration of Membership</i></b></p> <p>Annual membership dues are good from the date the collecting organization receives the payment, or from the date of payment to an online payment service. Membership expires at the end of the last day of that month in a subsequent year. Annual membership can be renewed for no more than two years from the end of the month in which the dues are collected.</p> <p><b><i>Section 4: Qualification for Renewing Membership</i></b></p> <p>Members may renew their</p>	<p><u><b>A renewing member is one who has a record of membership in the state Party’s database at the time they pay their dues. The state and county Party organizations shall split the renewal membership dues 50/50.</b></u></p> <p><b><i>Section <del>3</del> 2: Collection of Dues</i></b></p> <p>Collection of dues includes receiving cash, checks, money orders, authorized billing information, or other consideration approved by the state Executive Committee, as well as donations through online services that are initiated directly from the organization’s website or e-mail appeal.</p> <p><b><i>Section <del>4</del> 3: Duration of Membership</i></b></p> <p>Annual membership dues are good from the date the collecting organization</p>	<p><b><i>Section 3: Collection of Dues</i></b></p> <p>Collection of dues includes receiving cash, checks, money orders, authorized billing information, or other consideration approved by the state Executive Committee, as well as donations through online services that are initiated directly from the organization’s website or e-mail appeal.</p> <p><b><i>Section 4: Duration of Membership</i></b></p> <p>Annual membership dues are good from the date the collecting organization receives the payment, or from the date of payment to an online payment service. Membership expires at the end of the last day of that month in a subsequent year. Annual membership can be renewed for no</p>
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<p>expired membership if they are not removed from the Party for cause, or for as long as their record is not removed from the state Party's database, and their membership expiration date will be as described in Bylaw 8: Dues Sharing, Section 3: Duration Of Membership. Donors who have no membership record shall join as new members.</p>	<p>receives the payment, or from the date of payment to an online payment service. Membership expires at the end of the last day of that month in a subsequent year. Annual membership can be renewed for no more than two years from the end of the month in which the dues are collected.</p> <p><b><i>Section 5 4:</i></b> <b><i>Qualification for Renewing Membership</i></b></p> <p>Members may renew their expired membership if they are not removed from the Party for cause, or for as long as their record is not removed from the state Party's database, and their membership expiration date will be as described in Bylaw 8: Dues Sharing, Section 3: Duration Of Membership.</p>	<p>more than two years from the end of the month in which the dues are collected.</p> <p><b><i>Section 5:</i></b> <b><i>Qualification for Renewing Membership</i></b></p> <p>Members may renew their expired membership if they are not removed from the Party for cause, or for as long as their record is not removed from the state Party's database, and their membership expiration date will be as described in Bylaw 8: Dues Sharing, Section 3: Duration Of Membership. Donors who have no membership record shall join as new members.</p>
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### Proposal 4

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### Reason

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This amendment does two things; first it removes “and mail ballots” from the bylaw as previous amendments have removed that option and second allows the Secretary to send a single email to all county officers.

### Impact

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There is no impact as this removes “mail ballots” and simplifies the notification requirement.

### Motion

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Amend Bylaw 11: Officer, Section 5 as follows:

### Proposed Amendment

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**Motion:** Amend Bylaw 11: Officers, Section 5, as follows:

Current Bylaw	Proposed Amendment	Bylaw as Amended
<p><b>Bylaw 11: Officers</b> <i>Section 5:</i></p> <p>The Secretary shall be responsible for maintaining the Party membership list, for receiving or sending formal notifications as specified in these Bylaws and Convention Rules, and shall be responsible for recording and promptly</p>	<p><b>Bylaw 11: Officers</b> <i>Section 5:</i></p> <p>The Secretary shall be responsible for maintaining the Party membership list, for receiving or sending formal notifications as specified in these Bylaws and Convention Rules, and shall be responsible for recording and promptly</p>	<p><b>Bylaw 11: Officers</b> <i>Section 5:</i></p> <p>The Secretary shall be responsible for maintaining the Party membership list, for receiving or sending formal notifications as specified in these Bylaws and Convention Rules, and shall be responsible for recording and promptly</p>

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<p>distributing minutes of Party proceedings. The Secretary shall be responsible for the maintenance of all Party records.</p> <p>The Secretary shall cause the minutes of each Executive Committee meeting and of each state convention to appear on the Party website not more than thirty days after adoption. The Secretary shall email a summary of the results of the Executive Committee meetings, votes, and mail ballots to all county officers within ten days.</p> <p>The Secretary shall cause the most recently adopted Platform, Program, and Bylaws and Convention Rules, as well as the Bylaws of all county organizations to appear on the Party website not more than thirty days after</p>	<p>distributing minutes of Party proceedings. The Secretary shall be responsible for the maintenance of all Party records.</p> <p>The Secretary shall cause the minutes of each Executive Committee meeting and of each state convention to appear on the Party website not more than thirty days after adoption. The Secretary shall email a summary of the results of the Executive Committee meetings, <del>and votes, and mail ballots</del> to all county officers within ten days. <u>Notification can be made by email to a list that includes all county officers.</u></p> <p>The Secretary shall cause the most recently adopted Platform, Program, and Bylaws and Convention Rules, as well as the Bylaws of all county</p>	<p>distributing minutes of Party proceedings. The Secretary shall be responsible for the maintenance of all Party records.</p> <p>The Secretary shall cause the minutes of each Executive Committee meeting and of each state convention to appear on the Party website not more than thirty days after adoption. The Secretary shall email a summary of the results of the Executive Committee meetings and votes, to all county officers within ten days. Notification can be made by email to a list that includes all county officers.</p> <p>The Secretary shall cause the most recently adopted Platform, Program, and Bylaws and Convention Rules, as well as the Bylaws of all county organizations to</p>
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### Reason

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Historically the Executive Committee held a minimum of four quarterly in-person meetings a year and the Treasurer would present a quarterly report at those meetings per Bylaw 11, Section 6. However, at the 2024 convention the bylaws were amended to only require one in-person meeting a year and a special rule of order was adopted by the ExCom to hold monthly electronic meetings. Because of this there hasn't been any consistency for the treasurer issuing reports to the membership.

This amendment would require that the Treasurer compile their reports monthly which can then be presented at the monthly meetings, or if there is no monthly meeting, the treasurer will compile the report to be available to any central committee member upon request.

### Impact

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This amendment would clarify the Treasurer's responsibility to presenting current financial reports to the membership.

### Proposed Amendment

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**Motion:** Amend Bylaw 11: Officers, Sections 6 as follows:

Current Bylaw	Proposed Amendment	Bylaw as Amended
<b>Bylaw 11: Officers</b> <i>Section 6</i> The Treasurer shall receive, disburse, and account for the funds of the Party, under the supervision and direction of the	<b>Bylaw 11: Officers</b> <i>Section 6</i> The Treasurer shall receive, disburse, and account for the funds of the Party, under the supervision and direction of the	<b>Bylaw 11: Officers</b> <i>Section 6</i> The Treasurer shall receive, disburse, and account for the funds of the Party, under the supervision and direction of the

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<p>Chair and the Executive Committee.</p> <p>The Treasurer shall compile a quarterly report which shall consist of a balance sheet and a profit and loss statement. The balance sheet and the profit and loss statement shall be available to members of the Party from the Treasurer, upon written request.</p>	<p>Chair and the Executive Committee.</p> <p>The Treasurer shall compile a <u>monthly</u> <del>quarterly</del> report which shall consist of a balance sheet and a profit and loss statement. The balance sheet and the profit and loss statement shall be available to <u>all central committee</u> members of the Party <u>and shall be presented at all meetings of the Executive Committee</u> <del>from the Treasurer, or</del> upon written request.</p>	<p>Chair and the Executive Committee.</p> <p>The Treasurer shall compile a monthly report which shall consist of a balance sheet and a profit and loss statement. The balance sheet and the profit and loss statement shall be available to all central committee members of the Party and shall be presented at all meetings of the Executive Committee, or upon written request.</p>
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### Reason

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Currently the Bylaws only have a process for the suspension of officers and Operations Committee members. The meaning of “suspension” in the bylaws is the first step in removing the officer, which is followed by the opportunity for the suspendee to appeal to the Judicial Committee (JC), however in the current bylaw the JC must rule on the suspension within three days, which precludes the opportunity for a hearing. Further the current bylaw doesn't give any provisions for the suspension/removal of any other member of the Executive Committee.

Being that all members of the Executive Committee are elected by the membership at convention, removal should require the opportunity for a hearing rather than just assuming the JC would have sufficient information to either agree with or overturn the removal.

Further, the Operations Committee is a sub-committee of the Executive Committee whose members are appointed by the Executive Committee, therefore removal from the committee should not require the opportunity for appeal as the appointing body has the authority to remove members of sub-committees.

We believe that even more changes should be made to ensure due process for removal of a duly elected member of the Executive Committee but believe this is a good interim amendment.

### Impact

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This will remove the provisions for a member of the Operations Committee to appeal for a removal from that committee to the JC and will include due process for all Executive Committee members that were elected by the membership to have the opportunity for a hearing to be held to appeal their removal.

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## Proposed Amendment

Motion: Amend Bylaw 11: Officers, Sections 6 as follows:

Current Bylaw	Proposed Amendment	Bylaw as Amended
<p>Bylaw 11: Officers <i>Section 7</i></p> <p>An officer or Operations Committee member may be suspended from office by the Executive Committee. The office of the suspendee shall be declared vacant unless the suspendee appeals such suspension to the Judicial Committee in writing within ten days of notification of such suspension. Upon written appeal by the suspendee, the Judicial Committee shall rule within three days to either uphold the suspension, thereby vacating the office, or restore the suspended member to full authority. A failure to rule shall be deemed as restoring the</p>	<p>Bylaw 11: Officers <i>Section 7</i></p> <p>An <del>officer or Operations Committee</del> <b><u>Executive Committee</u></b> member may be suspended from office by the Executive Committee. The office of the suspendee shall be declared vacant unless the suspendee appeals such suspension to the Judicial Committee in writing within ten days of <b><u>written</u></b> notification of such suspension. Upon written appeal by the suspendee, the Judicial Committee shall rule within three days, <b><u>unless a hearing is requested,</u></b> to either uphold the suspension, thereby vacating the office, or restore the suspended member to full</p>	<p>Bylaw 11: Officers <i>Section 7</i></p> <p>An Executive Committee member may be suspended from office by the Executive Committee. The office of the suspendee shall be declared vacant unless the suspendee appeals such suspension to the Judicial Committee in writing within ten days of written notification of such suspension. Upon written appeal by the suspendee, the Judicial Committee shall rule within three days, unless a hearing is requested, to either uphold the suspension, thereby vacating the office, or restore the suspended member to full authority. If a hearing is requested, it shall</p>

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<p>suspended member to full authority.</p>	<p>authority. <u><b>if a hearing is requested, it shall be held per Bylaw 15, Section 5.</b></u> A failure to rule shall be deemed as restoring the suspended member to full authority.</p>	<p>be held per Bylaw 15, Section 5. A failure to rule shall be deemed as restoring the suspended member to full authority.</p>
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### Reason

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At the 2023 convention the delegates adopted an amendment which stated that upon the resignation of an Executive Committee member, the resignation is accepted, negating the RONR requirement for the resignation to be approved. The reasoning for the amendment is that the Libertarian Party doesn’t believe that an individual requires approval to vacate a position. However, the Executive Committee, HAS voted on acceptance of resignations since that amendment was passed, with the reasoning that they “needed to cross the t’s and dot the i’s.” This amendment would make it completely clear that the Executive Committee does not and should not take any further action to approve a resignation.

### Impact

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There is no impact, other than clarifying that the Executive Committee does NOT take further action in any manner after a resignation is tendered.

### Proposed Amendment

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**Motion:** Amend Bylaw 11: Officers, Sections 9 as follows:

Current Bylaw	Proposed Amendment	Bylaw as Amended
<b>Bylaw 11: Officers</b> <i>Section 9</i> If an Executive Committee member advises the committee in writing that such member wishes to resign, the member’s resignation shall be effective as of the	<b>Bylaw 11: Officers</b> <i>Section 9</i> If an Executive Committee member advises the committee in writing that such member wishes to resign, the member’s resignation shall be effective as of the	<b>Bylaw 11: Officers</b> <i>Section 9</i> If an Executive Committee member advises the committee in writing that such member wishes to resign, the member’s resignation shall be effective as of the

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<p>date specified in such written notice, or immediately if the notice does not specify an effective date,<del> without the need for the committee to formally accept the resignation.</del></p>	<p>date specified in such written notice, or immediately if the notice does not specify an effective date,<del> without the need for the committee to formally accept the resignation.</del> <u>No further action of the Executive Committee shall be required to approve such a resignation.</u></p>	<p>date specified in such written notice, or immediately if the notice does not specify an effective date. <u>No further action of the Executive Committee shall be required to approve such a resignation.</u></p>
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## 2025 Bylaws Amendment Proposal with Advance Notice

### Proposal 8

**Submitted By:** Mimi Robson – Life Member, Los Angeles County  
Avens O'Brien – Life Member, Los Angeles County  
Paul Vallandigham – Life Member, Riverside County

### Reason

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This amendment will be in two parts, as the first part shouldn't be controversial.

**Part One:** Prior to 2021 the Judicial Committee was comprised of five members, and the Bylaws had the provision that if a vacancy occurred the remaining members of that committee would appoint someone to fill the vacancy. At the 2021 convention an amendment was made that the convention delegates would elect two alternate members to the committee so that in the event of a vacancy or recusal, there would still be a five-member committee. At the 2024 convention time ran out during the Judicial Committee elections and a motion was made to vote for the primary members and alternates on a single ballot, however only six candidates reached a majority of votes thus the second alternate seat wasn't filled. This amendment will allow the Judicial Committee to fill vacancies if the requested number of members and alternates aren't elected, and to fill vacancies in the event one occurs during the two-year term of office.

This amendment would also remove Section 9, which is no longer relevant as electronic meetings are primarily used therefore it's highly unlikely that mail would be used.

**Part Two:** After some confusion regarding the Judicial Committee's ability to consider an appeal, this amendment clarifies the process for when a hearing is required. It also requires all parties involved in any appeal to be notified within 24 hours of acceptance, therefore giving all parties the opportunity to request a hearing, while still leaving the opportunity for the Judicial Committee to rule on appeals that assert a clear bylaws violations without a hearing when an immediate ruling is required.

### Impact

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**Part One** will ensure that the situation that happened at the 2024 convention will not be repeated. **Part Two** will not have any impact but will clarify the procedures in more detail.

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## Proposed Amendment

Motion One: Amend Bylaw 15: Judicial Committee. Sections 1 and 9 as follows:

Current Bylaw	Proposed Amendment	Bylaw as Amended
<p><b>Bylaw 15: Judicial Committee</b></p> <p><i>Section 1</i></p> <p>The Judicial Committee shall consist of five State Central Committee members elected at a convention of the Party by the attending delegates. The term of a Judicial Committee member shall begin at the close of each convention held in an even-numbered year and end at the close of the next convention held in an even-numbered year after a new committee has been elected. Two Alternates, in ranked order, shall be elected at a convention of the Party by attending delegates to ensure a full committee in the</p>	<p><b>Bylaw 15: Judicial Committee</b></p> <p><i>Section 1</i></p> <p>The Judicial Committee shall consist of five State Central Committee members elected at a convention of the Party by the attending delegates. The term of a Judicial Committee member shall begin at the close of each convention held in an even-numbered year and end at the close of the next convention held in an even-numbered year after a new committee has been elected. Two Alternates, in ranked order, shall be elected at a convention of the Party by attending delegates to ensure a full committee in the</p>	<p><b>Bylaw 15: Judicial Committee</b></p> <p><i>Section 1</i></p> <p>The Judicial Committee shall consist of five State Central Committee members elected at a convention of the Party by the attending delegates. The term of a Judicial Committee member shall begin at the close of each convention held in an even-numbered year and end at the close of the next convention held in an even-numbered year after a new committee has been elected. Two Alternates, in ranked order, shall be elected at a convention of the Party by attending delegates to ensure a full committee in the</p>

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<p>case of a vacancy or recusal.</p> <p><b>Section 9</b></p> <p>With the consent of all parties, the Judicial Committee Chair may call for written arguments and mail ballot of the Judicial Committee, with a ruling to be provided to all parties and to the Executive Committee no later than thirty days following the date of the initial petition.</p>	<p>case of a vacancy or recusal. <b><u>If additional vacancies arise during the term of the committee, the remaining Judicial Committee members shall by appointment fill any vacancy in the Judicial Committee until a successor shall be elected at the next convention.</u></b></p> <p><b><i>Section 9</i></b></p> <p><i><del>With the consent of all parties, the Judicial Committee Chair may call for written arguments and mail ballot of the Judicial Committee, with a ruling to be provided to all parties and to the Executive Committee no later than thirty days following the date of the initial petition.</del></i></p>	<p>case of a vacancy or recusal. If additional vacancies arise during the term of the committee, the remaining Judicial Committee members shall by appointment fill any vacancy in the Judicial Committee until a successor shall be elected at the next convention.</p>
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Motion Two: Amend Bylaw 15: Judicial Committee, Sections 3-8 as follows:

Current Bylaw	Proposed Amendment	Bylaw as Amended
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<p><b>Section 3</b></p> <p>The Judicial Committee review of a Party action or inaction shall be limited to the consistency of that action or inaction in accordance with the governing documents of the Party, including these Bylaws and documents to which they refer, with the only exceptions being Judicial Committee duties mandated by these Bylaws, and arbitration of Party contracts that explicitly call for arbitration by the Judicial Committee.</p> <p>At least two Judicial Committee members shall agree to hold a hearing or to consider an appeal. The Judicial Committee may choose to hold hearings in person, by teleconference, or by videoconference.</p> <p><b>Section 4</b></p> <p>The Judicial Committee shall</p>	<p><b>Section 3</b></p> <p>The Judicial Committee review of a Party action or inaction shall be limited to the consistency of that action or inaction in accordance with the governing documents of the Party, including these Bylaws and documents to which they refer, with the only exceptions being Judicial Committee duties mandated by these Bylaws, and arbitration of Party contracts that explicitly call for arbitration by the Judicial Committee.</p> <p><u>Unless specified otherwise in these bylaws, <del>At</del> at least two Judicial Committee members shall agree to hold a hearing or to consider an appeal.</u></p> <p><u>If the Judicial Committee agrees to accept an appeal all parties shall be notified within 24 hours of the acceptance. If a hearing is</u></p>	<p><b>Section 3</b></p> <p>The Judicial Committee review of a Party action or inaction shall be limited to the consistency of that action or inaction in accordance with the governing documents of the Party, including these Bylaws and documents to which they refer, with the only exceptions being Judicial Committee duties mandated by these Bylaws, and arbitration of Party contracts that explicitly call for arbitration by the Judicial Committee.</p> <p>Unless specified otherwise in these bylaws, at least two Judicial Committee members shall agree to hold a hearing or to consider an appeal. If the Judicial Committee agrees to accept an appeal all parties shall be notified within 24 hours of the acceptance. If a hearing is requested or</p>
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<p>elect a Chair, who shall receive all appeals and petitions and schedule hearings so as to obtain a quorum of the Judicial Committee. When a hearing is requested, the Chair shall set a hearing date within seven days of receiving the request.</p> <p><b>Section 5</b></p> <p>The Judicial Committee shall provide at least ten days' notice to each of the parties to a hearing, unless an earlier date is agreed to by the Judicial Committee and the participants.</p> <p><b>Section 6</b></p> <p>The Judicial Committee shall hold a hearing within thirty days of receiving a request, unless otherwise specified.</p> <p><b>Section 7</b></p> <p>All parties to a hearing shall have the right to represent their</p>	<p><u>requested or deemed necessary.</u> <del>The</del> Judicial Committee may choose to hold hearings in person, by teleconference, or by videoconference.</p> <p><u>The Judicial Committee may call for written responses of all parties prior to the hearing.</u></p> <p><b>Section 4</b></p> <p>The Judicial Committee shall elect a Chair, who shall receive all appeals and petitions and schedule hearings so as to obtain a quorum of the Judicial Committee. When a hearing is <u>required</u> <del>requested</del>, the Chair shall set a hearing date within seven days of receiving the request.</p> <p><b>Section 5</b></p> <p><u>When a hearing is required</u> <del>The</del> Judicial Committee shall provide at least ten days' notice to each of</p>	<p>deemed necessary, the Judicial Committee may choose to hold hearings in person, by teleconference, or by videoconference. The Judicial Committee may call for written responses of all parties prior to the hearing.</p> <p><b>Section 4</b></p> <p>The Judicial Committee shall elect a Chair, who shall receive all appeals and petitions and schedule hearings so as to obtain a quorum of the Judicial Committee. When a hearing is required, the Chair shall set a hearing date within seven days of receiving the request.</p> <p><b>Section 5</b></p> <p>When a hearing is required the Judicial Committee shall provide at least ten days' notice to each of the parties to a hearing, unless an earlier date is</p>
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<p>own interests in the manner of their own choosing.</p> <p><b>Section 8</b></p> <p>The Judicial Committee shall provide a written ruling within seven days of the conclusion of the hearing, unless otherwise specified. The Judicial Committee report shall be confidential and reported to the next convention in executive session if the matter involves suspension of membership and the member requests it. That ruling shall state either that no action is necessary, or shall state specifically what violation of the governing documents justifies the action or remedy sought by the appellant(s). In the event that the Judicial Committee fails to issue a written ruling within the timeframe required, the Judicial Committee</p>	<p>the parties to a hearing, unless an earlier date is agreed to by the Judicial Committee and the participants.</p> <p><b>Section 6</b></p> <p>The Judicial Committee shall <u>dispose of all matters accepted for consideration</u> <del>hold a hearing</del> within thirty days of receiving a request, unless otherwise specified.</p> <p><b>Section 7</b></p> <p><u>If a hearing is held,</u> <del>All parties to a hearing</del> shall have the right to represent their own interests in the manner of their own choosing.</p> <p><b>Section 8</b></p> <p><u>If a hearing is held,</u> <del>the</del> Judicial Committee shall provide a written ruling within seven days of the conclusion of the hearing, unless otherwise specified. The Judicial Committee report <u>on all matters</u> shall be</p>	<p>agreed to by the Judicial Committee and the participants.</p> <p><b>Section 6</b></p> <p>The Judicial Committee shall dispose of all matters accepted for consideration within thirty days of receiving a request, unless otherwise specified.</p> <p><b>Section 7</b></p> <p>If a hearing is held, all parties shall have the right to represent their own interests in the manner of their own choosing.</p> <p><b>Section 8</b></p> <p>If a hearing is held the Judicial Committee shall provide a written ruling within seven days of the conclusion of the hearing, unless otherwise specified. The Judicial Committee report on all matters shall be reported to the next convention. If the matter involves suspension of membership the</p>
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<p>shall be considered to have taken no action on the matter at hand.</p>	<p><del>confidential and</del> reported to the next convention. <del>in</del> <del>executive session</del> <del>if</del> the matter involves suspension of membership <u>the report shall be confidential and reported to the next convention in executive session if</u> <del>and</del> the member requests it. That ruling shall state either that no action is necessary, or shall state specifically what violation of the governing documents justifies the action or remedy sought by the appellant(s). In the event that the Judicial Committee fails to issue a written ruling within the timeframe required, the Judicial Committee shall be considered to have taken no action on the matter at hand.</p>	<p>report shall be confidential and reported to the next convention in executive session if the member requests it. That ruling shall state either that no action is necessary, or shall state specifically what violation of the governing documents justifies the action or remedy sought by the appellant(s). In the event that the Judicial Committee fails to issue a written ruling within the timeframe required, the Judicial Committee shall be considered to have taken no action on the matter at hand.</p>
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## 2025 Bylaws Amendment Proposal with Advance Notice

### Proposal 9

**Submitted By:** Mimi Robson – Life Member, Los Angeles County  
Avens O’Brien – Life Member, Los Angeles County  
Paul Vallandigham – Life Member, Riverside County

### Reason

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Currently this Bylaw requires a greater vote threshold for censure for all LPCA elected positions, but it doesn’t include members of the Judicial Committee. Per the Bylaws the Judicial Committee is the final authority in terms of actions or inactions of the Executive Committee, therefore requiring a lower vote threshold could be used to punish Judicial Committee members if they find the actions of the ExCom to be in violation of the Bylaws.

### Impact

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This would have minimal impact, as it’s typically unlikely that the Executive Committee would wish to censure any (or some/all) members of the Judicial Committee.

### Proposed Amendment

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**Motion:** Amend Bylaw 13: Executive Committee, Sections 5-A as follows:

Current Bylaw	Proposed Amendment	Bylaw as Amended
<p><b>Bylaw 13: Executive Committee</b></p> <p><i>Section 5</i></p> <p>A two-thirds majority of the eligible positions on the Executive Committee shall be required to pass the following:</p> <p>A. Removal from office, censure, or suspension of a Party officer,</p>	<p><b>Bylaw 13: Executive Committee</b></p> <p><i>Section 5</i></p> <p>A two-thirds majority of the eligible positions on the Executive Committee shall be required to pass the following:</p> <p>A. Removal from office, censure, or suspension of a Party officer,</p>	<p><b>Bylaw 13: Executive Committee</b></p> <p><i>Section 5</i></p> <p>A two-thirds majority of the eligible positions on the Executive Committee shall be required to pass the following:</p> <p>A. Removal from office, censure, or suspension of a Party officer,</p>

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<p>Operations Committee member, Executive Committee member, Libertarian National Committee representative, or County or State Central Committee member, or reinstatement of a County or state Central Committee member.</p>	<p>Operations Committee member, Executive Committee member, <u>Judicial Committee member</u>, Libertarian National Committee representative, or County or State Central Committee member, or reinstatement of a County or state Central Committee member.</p>	<p>Operations Committee member, Executive Committee member, Judicial Committee member, Libertarian National Committee representative, or County or State Central Committee member, or reinstatement of a County or state Central Committee member.</p>
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## 2025 Bylaws Amendment Proposal with Advance Notice

### Proposal 10

**Submitted By:** Mimi Robson – Life Member, Los Angeles County  
Avens O'Brien – Life Member, Los Angeles County  
Paul Vallandigham – Life Member, Riverside County

### Reason

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In 2021 the delegates at the annual convention changed the definition of State Central Committee members to require that they are required to be California Residents, and registered Libertarian in California if eligible. The body, at the time, understood this requirement meant that to be a delegate to the national convention members needed to be current residents of California unless they had joined as a Life Member prior to moving out of the state (other than those “grandfathered”). In 2024 the Executive Committee read the rules to state that the Executive Committee could fill vacancies in the delegation with out-of-state, non-members.

Further, the requirement for Central Committee membership to be a national delegate should be included in the Bylaws, not the convention rules. This amendment leaves the procedure for elections in the Convention Rules, but puts the requirement for Central Committee membership in the Bylaws (therefore making that requirement non-suspendable).

Although we believe the intent of the amendments made were clear in 2021, this amendment would make it very clear that the Executive Committee may only fill vacancies with current Central Committee members in good standing.

This amendment also removes legacy language referring to California Election codes that are no longer relevant.

### Impact

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There is no impact as this was the intention of the delegates that amended the Bylaws in 2021.

### Proposed Amendment

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**Motion:** Amend Bylaws 24, remove Bylaw 25 and renumber, and amend Convention Rule 9 as follows:

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Current Bylaw	Proposed Amendment	Bylaw as Amended
<p><b>Bylaw 24: National Convention Delegates</b></p> <p><i>Section 1</i></p> <p>Delegates to the national convention shall be selected at the state convention preceding the national convention. The procedures in Rule 9 shall be used for such election.</p> <p><i>Section 2</i></p> <p>After the state convention has selected delegates, the Executive Committee may fill any vacancies in the delegation prior to the deadline for reporting the names of delegates to the national Party.</p> <p><b>Section 3</b></p> <p>Sections 6760 through 6798 of the California Elections Code are superseded.</p> <p><b>Bylaw 25: National Convention Alternates</b></p> <p>In the event that duly selected</p>	<p><b>Bylaw 24: National Convention Delegation<del>es</del></b></p> <p><i>Section 1</i></p> <p>Delegates <u>and Alternates</u> to the national convention shall be selected at the state convention preceding the national convention. The procedures in Rule 9 shall be used for such election.</p> <p><u>State convention delegates shall only nominate and elect State Central Committee members in good standing who confirm to the Secretary their acceptance of their nomination and their intention to serve as a California delegate to the national convention. Nominations that are not confirmed by the time voting commences shall be removed from the ballot.</u></p> <p><i>Section 2</i></p> <p>After the state</p>	<p><b>Bylaw 24: National Convention Delegation</b></p> <p><i>Section 1</i></p> <p>Delegates and Alternates to the national convention shall be selected at the state convention preceding the national convention. The procedures in Rule 9 shall be used for such election.</p> <p>State convention delegates shall only nominate and elect State Central Committee members in good standing who confirm to the Secretary their acceptance of their nomination and their intention to serve as a California delegate to the national convention. Nominations that are not confirmed by the time voting commences shall be removed from the ballot.</p> <p><i>Section 2</i></p> <p>After the state</p>

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<p>California alternates are unable to attend or be seated at the national convention for which they were selected, additional alternates may be selected by a two-thirds vote of the California delegates and alternates then registered at the national convention.</p> <p>A. Those members seeking additional alternate delegate status under this section shall have been a State Central Committee member at least thirty days prior to the national convention.</p> <p>B. This provision shall be included in all written statements to the National Convention Credentials Committee whenever requests are made for seating newly-selected additional alternates.</p> <p><b>Rule 9: Election of National Convention Delegates</b></p> <p>National convention delegate nominations shall</p>	<p>convention has selected <u>its delegates and alternates</u>, the Executive Committee may fill any vacancies in the delegation prior to the deadline for reporting the names of delegates to the <u>National Party, so long as those elected by the Executive Committee are current Central Committee members in good standing.</u></p> <p><del>Section 3</del></p> <p><del>Sections 6760 through 6798 of the California Elections Code are superseded.</del></p> <p><del>Bylaw 25: National Convention Alternates</del></p> <p><u>Section 3</u></p> <p>In the event that duly selected California <u>delegates or</u> alternates are unable to attend or be seated at the national convention for which they were selected, additional <u>delegates and</u> alternates may be selected by a two-</p>	<p>convention has selected delegates, the Executive Committee may fill any vacancies in the delegation prior to the deadline for reporting the names of delegates to the National Party, so long as those elected by the Executive Committee are current Central Committee members in good standing.</p> <p><u>Section 3</u></p> <p>In the event that duly selected California delegates or alternates are unable to attend or be seated at the national convention for which they were selected, additional delegates and alternates may be selected by a two-thirds vote of the California delegates and alternates then registered at the national convention.</p> <p>A. Those members seeking additional delegate or alternate status under this section shall have been a</p>
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<p>begin immediately following the call to order.</p> <p>The Party officers shall be automatically nominated as national convention delegates by reason of their official status within the Party.</p> <p>State convention delegates shall only nominate and elect State Central Committee members in good standing who confirm to the Secretary their acceptance of their nomination and their intention to serve as a California delegate to the national convention. Nominations that are not confirmed by the time voting commences shall be removed from the ballot.</p> <p>State convention delegates shall submit nominations to the Secretary by placing the name of the nominee on a ballot as designated by the Secretary. Such ballots shall be displayed</p>	<p>thirds vote of the California delegates and alternates then registered at the national convention.</p> <p>A. Those members seeking additional <del>alternate</del> <b><u>or alternate</u></b> delegate status under this section shall have been a State Central Committee member at least thirty days prior to the national convention.</p> <p>B. This provision shall be included in all written statements to the National Convention Credentials Committee whenever requests are made for seating newly-selected additional <b><u>delegates and</u></b> alternates.</p> <p><b>Rule 9: Election of National Convention Delegates</b></p> <p>National convention delegate nominations shall begin immediately following the call to order.</p> <p>The Party officers shall be automatically</p>	<p>State Central Committee member at least thirty days prior to the national convention.</p> <p>B. This provision shall be included in all written statements to the National Convention Credentials Committee whenever requests are made for seating newly-selected additional delegates and alternates.</p> <p><b>Rule 9: Election of National Convention Delegates</b></p> <p>National convention delegate nominations shall begin immediately following the call to order.</p> <p>The Party officers shall be automatically nominated as national convention delegates by reason of their official status within the Party.</p> <p>State convention delegates shall submit nominations to the Secretary by placing the name of</p>
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<p>conspicuously for easy review.</p> <p>The Secretary shall call for the nominating ballots at the close of business on the next-to-last day of the convention.</p> <p>The Secretary shall provide a printed list of all nominees to each state convention delegate on the last day of the convention. Additional nominations may be made from the floor of nominees who are members in good standing who confirm to the Secretary by the time of their nomination their acceptance of their nomination and their intention to serve as a California delegate to the national convention.</p> <p>The Secretary shall calculate the number of votes each state convention delegate may cast by determining one-third of the number of national convention delegates allocated</p>	<p>nominated as national convention delegates by reason of their official status within the Party.</p> <p><del>State convention delegates shall only nominate and elect State Central Committee members in good standing who confirm to the Secretary their acceptance of their nomination and their intention to serve as a California delegate to the national convention. Nominations that are not confirmed by the time voting commences shall be removed from the ballot.</del></p> <p>State convention delegates shall submit nominations to the Secretary by placing the name of the nominee on a ballot as designated by the Secretary. Such ballots shall be displayed conspicuously for easy review.</p> <p>The Secretary shall call for the nominating ballots at the close of</p>	<p>the nominee on a ballot as designated by the Secretary. Such ballots shall be displayed conspicuously for easy review.</p> <p>The Secretary shall call for the nominating ballots at the close of business on the next-to-last day of the convention.</p> <p>The Secretary shall provide a printed list of all nominees to each state convention delegate on the last day of the convention. Additional nominations may be made from the floor of nominees who are Central Committee members in good standing who confirm to the Secretary by the time of their nomination their acceptance of their nomination and their intention to serve as a California delegate to the national convention.</p> <p>The Secretary shall calculate the number of votes each state</p>
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<p>to California and rounding upward.</p> <p>Each state convention delegate may cast either one Yes vote or one No vote per nominee up to the number determined by the Secretary. Such votes shall be cast via secret ballot.</p> <p>The Secretary shall rank the nominees for national convention delegates in order of the votes received by each nominee and shall make this ranking, without the number of votes received, available to interested members within thirty days of the close of the convention.</p> <p>After receiving notice of the number of national convention delegates allotted to California, the Secretary shall submit to the national Secretary that number of nominees, starting at the top of the list, as national convention delegates, and the</p>	<p>business on the next-to-last day of the convention.</p> <p>The Secretary shall provide a printed list of all nominees to each state convention delegate on the last day of the convention. Additional nominations may be made from the floor of nominees who are <u>Central Committee</u> members in good standing who confirm to the Secretary by the time of their nomination their acceptance of their nomination and their intention to serve as a California delegate to the national convention.</p> <p>The Secretary shall calculate the number of votes each state convention delegate may cast by determining one-third of the number of national convention delegates allocated to California and rounding upward.</p> <p>Each state convention delegate</p>	<p>convention delegate may cast by determining one-third of the number of national convention delegates allocated to California and rounding upward.</p> <p>Each state convention delegate may cast either one Yes vote or one No vote per nominee up to the number determined by the Secretary. Such votes shall be cast via secret ballot.</p> <p>The Secretary shall rank the nominees for national convention delegates in order of the votes received by each nominee and shall make this ranking, without the number of votes received, available to interested members within thirty days of the close of the convention.</p> <p>After receiving notice of the number of national convention delegates allotted to California, the Secretary shall submit to the</p>
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<p>remaining nominees, in ranked order up to the number of allotted national convention delegates, as alternate national convention delegates. No nominee for national convention delegate or alternate shall be elected unless that nominee receives a minimum of three Yes votes greater than No votes.</p>	<p>may cast either one Yes vote or one No vote per nominee up to the number determined by the Secretary. Such votes shall be cast via secret ballot.</p> <p>The Secretary shall rank the nominees for national convention delegates in order of the votes received by each nominee and shall make this ranking, without the number of votes received, available to interested members within thirty days of the close of the convention.</p> <p>After receiving notice of the number of national convention delegates allotted to California, the Secretary shall submit to the national Secretary that number of nominees, starting at the top of the list, as national convention delegates, and the remaining nominees, in ranked order up to the number of allotted</p>	<p>national Secretary that number of nominees, starting at the top of the list, as national convention delegates, and the remaining nominees, in ranked order up to the number of allotted national convention delegates, as alternate national convention delegates. No nominee for national convention delegate or alternate shall be elected unless that nominee receives a minimum of three Yes votes greater than No votes.</p>
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## 2025 Bylaws Amendment Proposal with Advance Notice

### Proposal 11

**Submitted By:** Mimi Robson – Life Member, Los Angeles County  
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Jessica Tewkesbury – Member, Riverside County  
Paul Vallandigham – Life Member, Riverside County

### Reason

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In 2018 Mr. Joe Dehn proposed a bylaws amendment to require the Secretary to provide a monthly membership report to the county affiliates, however the Secretary at the time said they would do it without a bylaw’s requirement. Since that time the Secretary has provided that report. In the past year the Executive Committee added that requirement to the Operating Procedures Manual but have since removed it and made the decision to no longer provide this report. This amendment will add the requirement to send this report to the Bylaws ensuring it is produced monthly.

### Impact

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This amendment would have no impact, as the report has been sent monthly since April of 2018.

### Proposed Amendment

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**Motion:** Amend Bylaw 11, Section 5 (Note: this does not include wording of the previous motion to this section) as follows:

Current Bylaw	Proposed Amendment	Bylaw as Amended
<b>Bylaw 11: Officers</b> <i>Section 5</i> The Secretary shall be responsible for maintaining the Party membership list, for receiving or sending formal notifications as specified in these Bylaws and	<b>Bylaw 11: Officers</b> <i>Section 5</i> The Secretary shall be responsible for maintaining the Party membership list, for receiving or sending formal notifications as specified in these Bylaws and	<b>Bylaw 11: Officers</b> <i>Section 5</i> The Secretary shall be responsible for maintaining the Party membership list, for receiving or sending formal notifications as specified in these Bylaws and

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<p>Convention Rules, and shall be responsible for recording and promptly distributing minutes of Party proceedings. The Secretary shall be responsible for the maintenance of all Party records.</p> <p>The Secretary shall cause the minutes of each Executive Committee meeting and of each state convention to appear on the Party website not more than thirty days after adoption. The Secretary shall email a summary of the results of the Executive Committee meetings, votes, and mail ballots to all county officers within ten days.</p> <p>The Secretary shall cause the most recently adopted Platform, Program, and Bylaws and Convention Rules, as well as the Bylaws of all county organizations to appear on the Party website not more than thirty days</p>	<p>Convention Rules, and shall be responsible for recording and promptly distributing minutes of Party proceedings. The Secretary shall be responsible for the maintenance of all Party records.</p> <p>The Secretary shall cause the minutes of each Executive Committee meeting and of each state convention to appear on the Party website not more than thirty days after adoption. The Secretary shall email a summary of the results of the Executive Committee meetings, votes, and mail ballots to all county officers within ten days.</p> <p><u>The Secretary shall prepare, at the end of each month, a report listing the number of Central Committee members affiliated with each county, along with the number of Associate Members and/or all members (Central</u></p>	<p>Convention Rules, and shall be responsible for recording and promptly distributing minutes of Party proceedings. The Secretary shall be responsible for the maintenance of all Party records.</p> <p>The Secretary shall cause the minutes of each Executive Committee meeting and of each state convention to appear on the Party website not more than thirty days after adoption. The Secretary shall email a summary of the results of the Executive Committee meetings, votes, and mail ballots to all county officers within ten days.</p> <p>The Secretary shall prepare, at the end of each month, a report listing the number of Central Committee members affiliated with each county, along with the number of Associate Members and/or all members (Central</p>
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<p>after adoption.</p>	<p><u>Committee members plus Associate Members) affiliated with each county, as of the end of that month, with corresponding statewide totals, and provide this report to the Executive Committee and to all county officers by the 10th day of the following month.</u></p> <p>The Secretary shall cause the most recently adopted Platform, Program, and Bylaws and Convention Rules, as well as the Bylaws of all county organizations to appear on the Party website not more than thirty days after adoption.</p>	<p>Committee members plus Associate Members) affiliated with each county, as of the end of that month, with corresponding statewide totals, and provide this report to the Executive Committee and to all county officers by the 10th day of the following month.</p> <p>The Secretary shall cause the most recently adopted Platform, Program, and Bylaws and Convention Rules, as well as the Bylaws of all county organizations to appear on the Party website not more than thirty days after adoption.</p>
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## 2025 Bylaws Amendment Proposal with Advance Notice

### Proposal 12

**Submitted By:** Mimi Robson – Life Member, Los Angeles County  
Avens O’Brien – Life Member, Los Angeles County  
Jessica Tewkesbury – Member, Riverside County  
Paul Vallandigham – Life Member, Riverside County

### Reason

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A special Rule of Order was passed by the Executive Committee several years ago regarding the procedures for going into executive session during a meeting. This was primarily done because Robert’s Rules of Order allows for actions to be taken during executive session, meaning motions can be made and voted on with no transparency. Recently the Executive Committee voted to rescind this special rule of order, leaving it back to the provisions of Roberts.

In addition, the previous rule did not outline the allowed matters that could be discussed in executive session. This amendment will make it clear the items that can be discussed in such sessions.

### Impact

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This amendment would have no impact as it’s been the practice of the Executive Committee for several years.

### Proposed Amendment

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**Motion:** Amend Bylaw 13 by adding a new Section 5, and renumbering the remaining sections, as follows:

Current Bylaw	Proposed Amendment	Bylaw as Amended
Bylaw 13: Executive Committee	Bylaw 13: Executive Committee <i><u>Section 5</u></i> <i><u>The Executive Committee, and all its sub-committees, shall conduct all votes and actions in open session; executive session</u></i>	Bylaw 13: Executive Committee <i>Section 5</i> The Executive Committee, and all its sub-committees, shall conduct all votes and actions in open session; executive session

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	<p><u>may only be used for discussion of disciplinary actions, personnel matters, contractual negotiations, pending or potential litigation, or political strategy requiring confidentiality.</u></p> <p><u>The motion to enter into Executive Session must list all reasons for doing so; only items listed in the reasons for entering Executive Session shall be considered during Executive Session.</u></p> <p><u>The motion to go into Executive Session shall require a two-thirds vote of the members of the Executive Committee present and voting.</u></p> <p><u>No action shall be taken while in Executive Session, however during Executive Session discussion of actions which may be taken in Open Session can occur.</u></p> <p><u>Recordings shall be made during Executive Session, however, such recordings shall only</u></p>	<p>may only be used for discussion of disciplinary actions, personnel matters, contractual negotiations, pending or potential litigation, or political strategy requiring confidentiality.</p> <p>The motion to enter into Executive Session must list all reasons for doing so; only items listed in the reasons for entering Executive Session shall be considered during Executive Session.</p> <p>The motion to go into Executive Session shall require a two-thirds vote of the members of the Executive Committee present and voting.</p> <p>No action shall be taken while in Executive Session, however during Executive Session discussion of actions which may be taken in Open Session can occur.</p> <p>Recordings shall be made during Executive Session, however, such recordings shall only</p>
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	<p><u>be made available to the members of the LPCA Executive Committee until such time as the LPCA Executive Committee, by two-thirds vote, incorporates such recordings into the public record. Nothing in this section shall require the LPCA Executive Committee to ever make these records public.</u></p> <p><u>All other aspects of Executive Session not specifically addressed above will be in conformance with the newest edition of Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised.</u></p>	<p>be made available to the members of the LPCA Executive Committee until such time as the LPCA Executive Committee, by two-thirds vote, incorporates such recordings into the public record. Nothing in this section shall require the LPCA Executive Committee to ever make these records public.</p> <p>All other aspects of Executive Session not specifically addressed above will be in conformance with the newest edition of Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised.</p>
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## 2025 Bylaws Amendment Proposal with Advance Notice

### Proposal 13

**Submitted By:** Mimi Robson – Life Member, Los Angeles County  
Avens O’Brien – Life Member, Los Angeles County  
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Paul Vallandigham – Life Member, Riverside County

### Reason

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It’s always been clear that Bylaws 13, Section 5 requires a 2/3 vote of *all eligible* positions of the Executive Committee, which means 10 votes, to pass the annual budget **OR** any financial liability, **OR** any contract lasting more than 3 months. However, the way that Bylaw 12 is written, stating a “two-thirds vote of the *entire* Executive Committee,” could be interpreted as only those that are currently holding positions. This amendment eliminates this ambiguity by placing all vote requirements regarding finances into Bylaw 12.

In addition, Bylaw 12 still includes language from when our fiscal year started on February first of each year, therefore Section 2 has been removed and Section 6 (which will now be Section 5) has been modified to reflect that the fiscal year starts on January first of each year.

### Impact

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This amendment would have no impact as it’s only clarifying what is in the existing bylaws.

### Proposed Amendment

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**Motion:** Amend Bylaw’s 12 and 13 by removing Section 2, and renumbering the remaining sections, and amending Sections 3 and 6 of Bylaw 12; and removing Section 5 D. of Bylaw 13 (Note: this does not include wording of the previous motion to this section)), as follows:

Current Bylaw	Proposed Amendment	Bylaw as Amended
Bylaw 12: Finance and Accounting Section 2 The Treasurer may authorize	Bylaw 12: Finance and Accounting <del>Section 2</del> <del>The Treasurer may authorize</del>	Bylaw 12: Finance and Accounting Section 2 The Executive Committee shall

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<p>expenditures for any item incorporated into the proposed budget until the Executive Committee has ratified the budget for the current year.</p> <p><b>Section 3</b></p> <p>The Executive Committee shall not enter into any contract lasting more than three months, incur any expense in a non-budgeted category, or incur any expense in a budgeted category greater than the amount budgeted by more than \$1,000 without a two-thirds vote of the entire Executive Committee. Anyone who incurs such financial liability without such approval shall be held personally liable.</p> <p><b>Section 6</b></p> <p>The Executive Committee shall cause an annual budget to be projected at its final meeting of the fiscal</p>	<p><del>expenditures for any item incorporated into the proposed budget until the Executive Committee has ratified the budget for the current year.</del></p> <p><b>Section <del>3</del><u>2</u></b></p> <p>The Executive Committee shall not enter into any contract lasting more than three months, incur any expense in a non-budgeted category, or incur any expense in a budgeted category greater than the amount budgeted by more than \$1,000 without a two-thirds vote of the <del>entire</del> <b><u>eligible positions on the</u></b> Executive Committee. Anyone who incurs such financial liability without such approval shall be held personally liable.</p> <p><b>Section <del>6</del><u>5</u></b></p> <p>The Executive Committee shall cause an annual budget to be</p>	<p>not enter into any contract lasting more than three months, incur any expense in a non-budgeted category, or incur any expense in a budgeted category greater than the amount budgeted by more than \$1,000 without a two-thirds vote of the <del>entire</del> <b><u>eligible positions on the</u></b> Executive Committee. Anyone who incurs such financial liability without such approval shall be held personally liable.</p> <p><b>Section 5</b></p> <p>The Executive Committee shall cause an annual budget to be ratified with a two-thirds vote of all eligible positions on the executive committee at its final meeting of the fiscal year for implementation the following year.</p> <p><b>Bylaw 13: Executive Committee</b></p>
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<p>year for ratification the following year.</p> <p><b>Bylaw 13: Executive Committee</b></p> <p><i>Section 5</i></p> <p>A two-thirds majority of the eligible positions on the Executive Committee shall be required to pass the following:</p> <p><i>D.</i> The annual budget, or any financial liability, or contractual obligation lasting more than three months.</p>	<p><del><i>projected</i></del> <u><b>ratified with a two-thirds vote of all eligible positions on the executive committee</b></u> at its final meeting of the fiscal year for <del><i>ratification</i></del> <u><b>implementation</b></u> the following year.</p> <p><b>Bylaw 13: Executive Committee</b></p> <p><i>Section 5</i></p> <p>A two-thirds majority of the eligible positions on the Executive Committee shall be required to pass the following:</p> <p><del><i>D. The annual budget, or any financial liability, or contractual obligation lasting more than three months.</i></del></p>	<p><i>Section 5</i></p> <p>A two-thirds majority of the eligible positions on the Executive Committee shall be required to pass the following:</p>
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