

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE  
AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY  
DEPARTMENT OF OHIO, INC.  
BYLAWS**

**Notice of Proposed Amendment to the Department Bylaws**

The following proposed amendment to the Department Bylaws will be considered at the 2017 Department Convention in Dayton, Ohio:

**Present reading of Bylaws, Article IX, Transfer of Members:**

**ARTICLE IX**

**Transfer of Members**

Section 1. Any member presenting a membership card of the current year may make a request for transfer to another Unit. Upon acceptance by the transferee Unit, the member shall be entitled to active membership in said Unit. No dues shall be transferred.

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Section 3. A Unit member may withdraw providing her current year's dues are fully paid. Upon withdrawal, however, she shall be prohibited from joining any other Unit as a new member during the remainder of the current year for which her dues are paid. In the event a member wishes to remove her membership from one Unit to another during the current year it shall be done by transfer and not withdrawal.

**Proposed reading of move to Standing Rules, Transfer of Members:**

***Move Sections 1-3 and add Section 4.***

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Section 4. A member who is not subject to suspension or membership revocation under due process is eligible to transfer her membership to another unit if she has paid her membership dues to her current unit for either the current year or immediate past membership year. A member transferring to a new unit must pay current year dues to either her current unit or to the unit into which she wishes to transfer.

Evidence of paid membership includes:

- a. American Legion Auxiliary Membership Card
- b. Verification of membership by ALA Department or National Headquarters membership records
- c. Other documentation verifying payment of current or immediate past year membership dues such as a cancelled check or receipt
- d. When verifying documentation is not available, a sworn statement that the member's membership dues payment was tendered.

**(Passed at National Convention 2016)**

As provided in the Department Bylaws, members may transfer using the above criteria.

***Rationale:***

*This move is being made in order to be in compliance with National governing documents.*

*Since the change was adopted in 2016 at the National Convention the Department of Ohio has been processing transfers of members in this way. Amending the wording ensures we are in compliance with our own governing documents.*

**The amendment will become effective for the 2017-2018 administrative year if adopted by the convention assembled in Dayton, Ohio, July 6-9, 2017.**

**Proposed amendment to:**

**Bylaws, Article IX, Transfer of Members**

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