

## PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE IX, Section 6: ADD A NEW SECTION 6: "In the event of the death, resignation or disqualification of the Party's nominee for President, the Vice-Presidential nominee shall become the Presidential candidate. A majority of the entire Executive Committee may, at a meeting, fill a Vice-Presidential vacancy and, if necessary, a simultaneous Presidential vacancy."

ARTICLE VI, Section 4: SUBSTITUTE FOR THE FIRST AND SECOND PARAGRAPHS:

"Each affiliated state party and the affiliated party in the District of Columbia shall be entitled to send delegates to a Regular Convention on the following basis:

A. One delegate for each congressional district  
OR

B. One delegate for each half percent (rounded) of the total national membership as determined by the Secretary as of the last day of the Preceding year  
OR

C. One delegate for each 500 votes received by a Libertarian Party candidate in an election in the state during the past four years  
whichever is greater. No delegation may have less than two or more than fifty delegates.

The delegates, along with as many alternates as the affiliated party may choose, shall be certified to the Secretary at least one month prior to the Regular Convention.'

ARTICLE VI, Section 4: ADD NEW PARAGRAPH PRIOR TO EXISTING LAST PARAGRAPH:

"Any person may become a delegate-at-large to a Regular Convention by submitting a petition to that effect signed by at least one percent of the national party members as determined by the Secretary as of the last day of the preceding year. Each petition must be accompanied by a typed alphabetical list of signers. No signature shall be counted if it is on more than one petition. Such petitions must be received and certified by the Credentials Committee prior to the convening of the Convention.

ARTICLE XI: <sup>National</sup> DELETE THE EXISTING WORDING AND SUBSTITUTE A NEW ARTICLE XI: "MEMBERSHIP"  
"Section 1. Party members shall be those persons who have filed with the National Headquarters within the past year an affiliation declaring their support for the Statement of Principles.

Section 2. The National Party shall charge no dues for membership, but may institute honorary degrees of membership contingent on such contributions as the Executive Committee shall deem proper, provided that such honorary members have no preference or privilege in regard to the strength of their vote or manners of voting or in election or appointment to office."

RESOLVED: That the word "Chair" shall be substituted for the word "Chairman" wherever it appears in the Constitution, Bylaws and Rules. That the words "he 'or she" be substituted for the word "he," the words "him or her" be substituted for the word "him," and the words "his or her(s)" be substituted for the word "his" wherever such appear in the Constitution, Bylaws and Rules.

ADD NEW ARTICLE X: Titled "None of the Above"

"Votes cast for "None of the Above" in voting on the Party's nominees for President and Vice President and for the four Party officers shall be considered valid and properly recorded. Should a majority of the votes be cast for "None of the Above" in the Presidential or Vice-Presidential balloting, no candidate shall be nominated for that office. Should "None of the Above" be selected for any Party officer, that position shall be declared vacant and none of the losing candidates for that position may be selected to fill the vacancy for that term of office."

ARTICLE V, Section 1c: DELETE THE WORDS: "...20 percent of the "PARTY AND AFFILIATE PARTIES MEMBERSHIP." and SUBSTITUTE THE WORDS: "...20 percent of the <sup>allocated</sup> "DELEGATES AT THE MOST RECENT REGULAR CONVENTION." DELETE THE WORDS: "...over 20 percent of the "TOTAL MEMBERSHIP" shall be entitled" and SUBSTITUTE THE WORD : "...over 20 percent of the "DELEGATES" shall be entitled".

ARTICLE V Section 2: ADD NEW SECTION 2 (renumber present section 2 as 3):  
 "The Executive Committee may, by a two-thirds vote, establish or amend the Regional boundaries, provided the change does not reduce the number of Regional representatives."  
 DELETE THE REGIONAL LISTINGS in ARTICLE V Section 1c.

ARTICLE VI, Section 4: ADD NEW SECTION 4 (and renumber subsequent sections):  
 "At all Regular Conventions, delegates shall be those allocated delegates certified by the Credentials Committee who have registered at the Convention."  
 RESOLVED: THAT ALL QUALIFICATIONS TO THE TERM "DELEGATE" WHEREVER THEY MAY APPEAR IN THE CONSTITUTION, BYLAWS AND RULES SHALL BE DELETED, EXCEPT IN ARTICLE V OF THE CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE IV, Section 9 and ARTICLE V, Section 3: ADD THE WORD : "...by a two-thirds vote of the "MEMBERS" of the Executive Committee"  
 ADD THE WORD: "... within three days of "NOTIFICATION" of suspension"  
 DELETE THE WORDS: "...officers if vacancies "OR SUSPENSIONS" occur, such" (IV. 9. only)  
 DELETE THE WORDS: "...the term of the office vacated "OR THE TIME DURING WHICH THE SUSPENSION IS IN EFFECT, AS APPLICABLE.""

ARTICLE V, Section 1a: ADD THE WORDS: "...immediate past Chairman "AND ANY NATIONAL DIRECTOR WHO MAY BE APPOINTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.""

ARTICLE V, Section 4: ADD NEW SECTION 4 (from Bylaw III, Section 4) (Renumber subsequent sections):  
 "More than one-half of the members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum at all business meetings."

ARTICLE VII, Section 2: ADD THE WORDS: "...twenty members, selected "AT LEAST SIX MONTHS BEFORE A REGULAR CONVENTION" as follow"  
 ARTICLE VII, Section 2b: DELETE THE WORDS: "...largest party memberships. "THESE MEMBERS SHALL BE APPOINTED NO LATER THAN THREE MONTHS PRIOR TO THE REGULAR CONVENTION.""

ARTICLE VIII, Section 1: DELETE THE WORDS: "The Party "SHALL ADOPT A PLATFORM AT ITS FIRST REGULAR CONVENTION. SAID" platform shall include" DELETE THE WORDS: ""CONTAINED IN THE STATEMENT"".

ARTICLE VIII, Section 3: DELETE THE FIRST SENTENCE AND ADD THE WORD: "A "PLATFORM" Plan~~h~~ may".

ARTICLE IX, Section 2: ADD THE WORDS: "...serve as President "OR VICE PRESIDENT" under the"

ARTICLE IX, Section 4: DELETE THE SECOND SENTENCE.

ARTICLE X, Section 1: ADD NEW THIRD PARAGRAPH: "Current and accurate copies of all of the petitioning organization's proposed Constitution, Bylaws and other rules shall be submitted with the petition. All affiliated parties shall maintain on file with Party Headquarters a current and accurate copy of all of their Constitution, Bylaws and other rules."

ARTICLE X, Section 2: ADD THE WORDS, AT THE END: "FOR WHICH A DATE HAS BEEN SET."

ARTICLE X, Section 3: DELETE THE WORDS: "...representatives of the Executive Committee "ACTING FOR THE INTERESTS OF THE PARTY" and "THOSE MEMBERS OF" the affiliated party as selected by that party "ACTING IN ITS DEFENSE"".  
ADD THE WORDS: "...privileges pertaining thereto "WITHIN 30 DAYS, AND" no later than ninety"

ARTICLE X, Section 4: ADD NEW SECTION 4: "If an application for affiliation is received from a group within a state that already has an affiliated party, the Executive Committee must consider the application, and the current chartered party must be given an opportunity to explain why their charter should not be offered to the applying group."  
revoked and

ARTICLE XIV: SUBSTITUTE THE WORD "RULES" FOR "GOVERNMENT" IN THE TITLE, DESIGNATE THE EXISTING SENTENCE AS "SECTION 1," and ADD A NEW SECTION 2: "The Convention Rules may be amended by a majority vote of the delegates at any Regular Convention."

ARTICLE XV, Section 2: DELETE EXISTING WORDING AND SUBSTITUTE: "Any Section of the Constitution, Bylaws and Convention Rules which specifies a vote requirement may not be amended by a lesser vote than that specified. This Section may not be amended by a lesser vote than the largest requirements stated in any section of the Constitution, Bylaws and Convention Rules."

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS

BYLAW II, Section 4: DELETE THE WORD: "...shall receive "ALL" monies paid to the"

BYLAW IV, Section 2: ADD THE WORD: "...Platform Committee, a "TWO-THIRDS" majority"

BYLAW IV, Section 3: SUBSTITUTE THE WORD "CONVENTION" FOR THE WORD "PARTY".

BYLAW IV, Section 4: ADD THE WORDS: "...and Rules Committee <sup>OF</sup> "OR THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE" may join together"

BYLAW IV, Section 7: ADD A NEW SECTION 7: "Platform Committee members shall be polled by mail by the Platform Committee Chair within thirty days of their selection to determine whether a meeting shall be held in advance of the Convention."

BYLAW VII: DELETE THE EXISTING WORDING AND SUBSTITUTE: "The Rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised shall govern the Party in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the Party Constitution, Bylaws and Convention Rules and any special rules of order which the Convention may adopt."

BYLAW VIII ("MEMBERSHIP FEES"): DELETE

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONVENTION RULES

RULE V, Section 1: DELETE THE EXISTING WORDING AND SUBSTITUTE: "The Chair of the Constitution, Bylaws and Rules Committee shall report each recommendation of the Committee to the Convention separately and may explain the intent or purpose of the proposed amendment(s). The Convention Chair shall open each recommendation to discussion and amendment from the floor. Each recommendation shall be considered and adopted separately, with a maximum of ten minutes discussion on any recommendation."

RULE V, Section 2: DELETE EXISTING TEXT

\*\*\*\*\*BYLAW III, Section 4: DELETE

RULE V, Section 3 (Renumber as 2): DELETE THE LAST SENTENCE.

RULE VI, Section 7: DELETE THE WORDS: "AND THE RULING OF THE CHAIRMAN ON THE VOTE IS FINAL."

RULE VII, Section 2: DELETE THE EXISTING TEXT, AND SUBSTITUTE: "Nominations for the seven at-large Executive Committee positions shall be from the floor, with all national or affiliated Party members eligible for nomination. Each delegate shall cast seven votes, to be tabulated cumulatively. Those seven candidates receiving the highest vote totals shall be declared elected. If a tie vote occurs, another ballot for the remaining offices shall be held, with each delegate allowed to cast as many votes as there are offices to fill.

RULE VIII: NUMBER THE EXISTING TEXT AS SECTION 1 and ADD SECTION 2: "The nominating speech for a Presidential or Vice-Presidential candidate shall be limited to ten minutes. Two seconding speeches for each candidate shall be limited to five minutes duration.

RULE III, Section 1: DELETE THE EXISTING WORDING AND SUBSTITUTE: "Each delegation shall select some member of its delegation to serve as delegation chair, and so notify the Secretary."

RULE III, Section 2: DELETE THE WORD: "...reported by any "STATE" chairman" and SUBSTITUTE THE WORD: "...reported by any "DELEGATION'S" chairman."

RULE I, Section 1: DELETE THE WORD: "...behalf of the "EXECUTIVE" Committee, shall" and SUBSTITUTE THE WORD: "...behalf of the "CREDENTIALS" Committee, shall"

RULE I, Section 4: ADD THE WORDS: ""IF THE STATE PARTY HAS MADE NO PROVISION," an alternate may "TEMPORARILY" vote in place of"

RULE IV: ADD A NEW RULE IV (and renumber subsequent rules): Titled "ORDER OF BUSINESS": "The standing order of business for a Regular Convention shall be as follows:

1. Call to Order
2. Adopt Agenda
3. Credentials Committee Report
4. Constitution, Bylaws and Rules Committee Report
5. Platform Committee Report
6. Nomination of Party candidates for President and Vice-President
7. Election of Party officers and Executive Committee members-at-large
8. New Business "

RULE VI, Section 1: DELETE THE WORDS: "...Any proposed "ADDITION TO THE PLATFORM" must be" and SUBSTITUTE THE WORDS: "...Any proposed "ADDITIONAL PLANKS" must be"

RULE VI, Section 1: DELETE THE WORDS: "...Any "PORTION OF THE PLATFORM" may be deleted" and SUBSTITUTE THE WORDS: "...Any "PLATFORM PLANK" may be deleted"

RULE VII, Section 1: DELETE THE WORD: "...with any "DELEGATE" eligible to run" and SUBSTITUTE THE WORDS: "...with any "NATIONAL OR AFFILIATED PARTY MEMBER" eligible to run..." ADD THE WORDS: "...a majority vote "OF THE DELEGATES" will be"

RULE VII, Section 4: DELETE THE DIGIT "8"