

2018 DRAFT CBL AMENDMENT-12

SUBJECT: Amend CBL Amendment & Resolution Submission Process

SOURCE: Department of New Jersey

WHEREAS, National Constitution, Article XXIII: Amendments, states that,

- (1) This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the delegates present at any AMVETS National Convention. Proposed amendments for action of the National Convention must be submitted by a Department convention, Department Executive Committee, the National Executive Committee, or a Standing National Committee to the National Commander, and by the National Commander and/or the proposing body to the several Departments and members of the National Executive Committee, by mail, postmarked at least 30 days prior to the opening date of the next National Convention.
- (2) This constitution, however, may be amended by any National Convention without notice, by unanimous vote.
- (3) No amendment, however, may be adopted unless the same is referred to the Constitution and Bylaws Committee, considered by it and reported on to the National Convention.
- (4) Amendments to this constitution shall take effect immediately upon adoption, unless otherwise specified by the adopted resolution, and

WHEREAS, National Bylaws Article XVII: Resolutions, states that,

“Each department is responsible for submitting national resolutions to the AMVETS National Headquarters after the department state convention.

Resolutions may also be submitted by a department executive committee, and National Committees as authorized by the Constitution and Bylaws, or the National Executive Committee.

The National Headquarters shall also send out resolutions, emanating from national headquarters, on national issues of concern to be considered at state conventions by April 15.

When a legislative resolution is passed by the body at the annual National Convention, it becomes AMVETS legislative agenda for two years (from September 1 to August 31).

All resolutions shall bear the name of the originator,” and

WHEREAS, National Bylaws Article XVIII: Amendments, states that,

- (1) These Bylaws may be amended at any AMVETS National Convention by a majority vote of the delegates present at any AMVETS National Convention.

Proposed amendments for action of the National Convention must be submitted by a Department convention, a Department Executive Committee, the National Executive Committee, or a Standing National Committee to the National Commander and by the National Commander and/or the proposing body to the several Departments and members of the National Executive

Committee, by mail, postmarked at least 30 days prior to the opening date of the next National Convention.

(2) These Bylaws, however, may be amended by any National Convention without notice by a two-thirds vote.

(3) No amendment, however, may be adopted unless the same is referred to the Constitution and Bylaws Committee, considered by it and reported on at the National Convention.

Amendments to these Bylaws shall take effect immediately upon adoption, unless otherwise specified by the adopted resolution,” now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that AMVETS National Constitution Article XXIII: Amendments be amended to add the following language:

(5) Members of the National Service Foundation, National Officers, and National Staff are prohibited from submitting Amendments to the Constitution.

RESOLVED, that AMVETS National Bylaws Article XVII: Resolutions be amended as follows:

Each department is responsible for submitting national resolutions to the AMVETS National Headquarters after the department state convention.

Resolutions may also be submitted by a department executive committee, and National Committees as authorized by the Constitution and Bylaws, or the National Executive Committee.

Resolutions may not be submitted by members of the National Service Foundation, National Officers, or National Staff. ~~The National Headquarters shall also send out resolutions, emanating from national headquarters, on national issues of concern to be considered at state conventions by April 15.~~

When a legislative resolution is passed by the body at the annual National Convention, it becomes AMVETS legislative agenda for two years (from September 1 to August 31).

All resolutions shall bear the name of the originator

RESOLVED, that AMVETS National Bylaws Article XVIII: Amendments be amended to add the following language:

(4) Members of the National Service Foundation, National Officers, and National Staff are prohibited from submitting Amendments to the Bylaws.

ADOPTED by
AMVETS Department of _____