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SUBJECT: National 3rd Vice Commander, Bylaws Article III, Section 2, Add New Sub-Section (c)

SOURCE: AZ, ND, VA, MO, FL, NM, MI, WA, IA, OH

WHEREAS, in order to increase member involvement in AMVETS legislative activities, it is necessary to have the full and public support of our National, District and Department leaders; and

WHEREAS, without this visible commitment of our AMVETS leadership setting the example of active participation in the legislative process, engaging the balance of the members will yield only minimal results; and

WHEREAS, the long-range plan, as approved by the NEC in March 2015, recommended the creation of the position of National 3rd Vice which would focus on legislative interests and activities; and

WHEREAS, the AMVETS legislative program is a major component of the overall success of the organization and along with Programs and Membership, is one of the main areas of focus at AMVETS;

WHEREAS, in order to have the most well rounded, best informed and finest spoken National Commander for AMVETS, it is important that the individual have direct experience in each of the areas of organizational focus, Membership, Programs & Legislative; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Sub-Section (c) be added to Article III, Section 2 of the AMVETS National Bylaws. Sub-Section (c) should read as follows: The National Third Vice Commander shall be primarily responsible for the legislative activities of the organization and shall coordinate all department legislative leadership or vice commanders in charge of legislative undertakings. The National Third Vice Commander, working in concert with the National Legislative Director, shall also-

(1) coordinate all legislative activities between national headquarters and all departments;

(2) endeavor to create and present new legislative participation incentives to the National Commander and/or the National Executive Committee;

(3) be informed as to all legislative activities instituted by national HQ;

(4) perform such other duties in connection with AMVETS Legislative activities as the National Commander shall direct; and be it further

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:
CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS........................ADOPT □ AMEND □ REJECT □ NONE □
FINANCE: ..................................................... ADOPT □ AMEND □ REJECT □ NONE □
FLOOR ACTION: ADOPTED □ ADOPTED (as amended) □ REJECTED □ TABLED □
RESOLVED, that elections for the position of National 3rd Vice Commander will take place at the 2016 national convention.