

LAWS AND LEGISLATION REPORT

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It has been a great pleasure serving as the Chair of the Laws and Legislation Committee for yet another year. Though there have been a few major issues which we are continually attempting to correct, for the most part, this has been an enjoyable and learning experience. Together we have seen many changes made to the Constitution and By-Laws, with the intent always being the betterment of our Association. I would like to thank those members who have taken the time to initiate many of these changes, as it is your association.

Following this annual meeting, I will be relinquishing this chair to someone new who will be elected by you, the membership. I trust that you will all show my successor the same respect that you have shown me over the years, and I wish that person the best of luck in their duty to the Association.

For the Annual Meeting in August, the following changes have been brought forward:

SECTION 1

Executive Committee

ADD: Professional Standards Setting Body Representative.

(L & L recommendation – acceptance)

SECTION 2

2.3.1. currently reads: An Associate Member may be an organization, manufacturer, or supplier, with interest in the fire service.

change to read: An Associate Member may be an organization, manufacturer or supplier with interest in the fire service ***who has applied, paid a fee, and been accepted by the executive committee.***

(L & L recommendation – acceptance)

SECTION 4

4.1.6. (NEW)

A Life Member who has reached the age of 65 years and who has been a member in good standing of this Association for a minimum of 25 years shall be exempt from annual dues.

(L & L recommendation – acceptance)

SECTION 5

5.2.2.

Currently reads: No member shall hold, simultaneously, more than one office in the F. F. A. O. in the same fiscal year of said Association.

Proposed change: No ***Executive Committee*** member shall hold, simultaneously, more than one ***position on the Executive Committee of*** the F. F. A. O. in the same fiscal year, ***but may be appointed to a committee chair or serve as a committee member.***

(L & L recommendation – acceptance)

SECTION 7

7.1.4. Currently reads: Member Fire Departments.....no later than May 15th prior to the May Quarterly Meeting.

Proposed change: Member Fire Departments.....***no later than the May quarterly Meeting.***

(L & L recommendation – acceptance)

7.1.4.2. “New”

Nominations shall close at the end of the May Quarterly meeting.

SECTION 8

8.2.3.1. “New”

All questions regarding the Constitution and By-Laws shall be submitted, in writing, to the Chair of the Laws and Legislation Committee.