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TO: Cary Haerlin, Judge Advocate Department of Florida Marine Corps League
FROM: George LaMont, Commandant Department of Florida
SUBJECT: Proposed Amendment to Department Bylaws – Audit Committee

The following amendment/addition to the Department of Florida By Laws and Administrative Procedure Section 200 – STANDING COMMITTEES - DUTIES is proposed for consideration of adoption by the membership.

CURRENT:
SECTION 200 - STANDING COMMITTEES – DUTIES

The Department Standing Committees and their Duties are as follows:

(i) AUDIT COMMITTEE – Annually the Department Commandant shall appoint three regular MCL members to the audit committee. The appointments shall be made within two weeks after the closing of the Department's Convention. The committee shall audit the bank records of the Paymaster within two (2) weeks prior to the start of each of the Department's Conferences and the Department Convention. In addition, the Department Commandant shall commission an outside of the department audit prior to the Department Convention change of commend, to verify the findings of the audit committee. The results of all audits shall be reported to the delegates in attendance at the Department Convention and to the membership in attendance at each conference.

PROPOSED: (*change underlined*)

(k) AUDIT COMMITTEE – Annually the Department Commandant shall appoint three regular MCL members to the audit committee. The appointments shall be made within two weeks after the closing of the Department's Convention. The committee shall audit the bank records of the Paymaster within two (2) weeks prior to the start of during each of the Department's Conferences and the Department Convention. In addition, the Department Commandant shall commission an outside of the department audit prior to the Department Convention change of command, to verify the findings of the audit committee. The results of all audits shall be reported to the delegates in attendance at the Department Convention and to the membership in attendance at each conference.

RATIONAL:

The proposed amendment simplifies the internal audit process and brings the practice into compliance with the bylaws. Conducting an audit two weeks in advance of the conferences and conventions creates an unnecessary expense in travel for the audit committee. In recent years the internal audits have usually been conducted during the conference and convention

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when the audit committee is gathered together with the paymaster and at no additional cost to the Department.

Respectfully submitted,
George LaMont, Commandant

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