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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 – Past Commandants Council

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:

(j) PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDANTS' COUNCIL - The Past Department Commandants Council; composed of all Past Department Commandants and chaired by the Junior Past Department Commandant, as a collective advisory body, is charged with the responsibility of providing assistance to the Department Board of Trustees when called upon.

If the Junior Past Department Commandant is unwilling or unable to serve as chairman, the Council will be chaired by a Past Department Commandant appointed by the Department Commandant, with the consent of the Board of Trustees.

The Council shall meet at every conference and the convention and provide the Commandant with the Council's collective advice, when called upon by the Commandant.

PROPOSED: (*change underlined*)

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RATIONAL:

The proposed amendment maintains the integrity of Past Commandants' Council by removing any influence from the sitting Commandant in selecting a chair that may be more favorable to him than another. The Past Commandants are capable of selecting their own chair should the Junior Past Commandant not be able or willing to serve. Additionally the Past Commandants' Council should be able to provide advice and input independent of a request from the sitting Commandant.

Respectfully submitted,
George LaMont, Commandant