

Resolution No. 28
COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT: Constitution & By-Laws
Re: Amending Article XX, Section 2

1 WHEREAS, Article XX, Section 2 of the IAFF
2 Constitution & By-Laws (CBL), currently titled,
3 “How Proposed and Adopted”, outlines the
4 procedures for submission of amendments or
5 resolutions; and

6 WHEREAS, in the first paragraph of Article XX,
7 Section 2, a clear chronological time is associated
8 with the deadline for submission of resolutions and is
9 noted as, “no later than 50 days immediately
10 preceding the opening of the convention and no later
11 than 5:00p.m. ET of the cut-off date”; and

12 WHEREAS, the following paragraph outlines the
13 deadline for submission of censure resolutions and is
14 noted as, “at least sixty (60) days prior to the
15 Convention” but does not clearly specify a
16 chronological time deadline as is set forth in the
17 preceding paragraph; and

18 WHEREAS, the amendment to specify the same
19 chronological time deadline for the submission of
20 both non-censure and censure resolutions would
21 serve the IAFF and its members by providing clarity
22 in the resolution submission process and bringing the
23 processes for the submission of both types of
24 resolutions into alignment; therefore be it

25 RESOLVED, That Article XX, Section 2 of the
26 IAFF CBL shall be retitled to read, “Section 2.

Submission and Adoption of Resolutions”; and be it further

RESOLVED, That Article XX, Section 2 of the IAFF CBL related to the receipt of censure resolutions shall be amended to clarify that the chronological time deadline for the receipt of censure resolutions shall be 5:00 p.m. ET to align with the chronological time deadline for receipt of non-censure resolutions set forth in the preceding paragraph of the Constitution and read as follows:

“The Association shall not accept or process resolutions which may be considered defamatory or libelous, and any affiliate wishing to submit a Convention resolution that seeks to censure, Condemn or otherwise criticize any person, including fire department personnel, or entity shall submit a draft of such resolution to the Association, along with sufficient documentation to support the allegations therein, at least sixty (60) days prior to the Convention and no later than 5:00p.m. ET of the cut-off date for review by the General President, who shall, if deemed necessary, rewrite the draft resolution to remove any language therein that may be considered defamatory or libelous and, who shall return the resolution as modified to the affiliate for its review and approval, and any resolution that is modified in this manner shall be submitted for consideration and action by the Convention delegates only if the sponsoring affiliate first approves of the resolution in its modified form.

58 A certain time is to be set aside at the Convention
59 for discussion and voting by the Convention
60 delegates on the censure motions, and this time
61 shall be included in the Rules of the Convention.”

Submitted by: IAFF Executive Board

Cost Estimate: **None**

Annual or Perpetual Designation: **N/A**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

CONVENTION ACTION: