

The American Legion Department of Michigan

Proposed amendment 19 -CA-9

A proposed change to the Department Constitution and By-Laws, Article III Section 1 Which now reads:

Section 1. "Any person shall be eligible for membership in The American Legion who was a member of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard or Air Force of the United States and assigned to active duty at some time during any of the following periods: April 6, 1917 to November 11, 1918; December 7, 1941 to December 31, 1946; June 25, 1950 to January 31, 1955; February 28, 1961 to May 7, 1975; August 24, 1982 to July 31, 1984; December 20, 1989 to January 31, 1990; August 2, 1990 to "open", all dates inclusive, or who, being a citizen of the United States at the time of his entry therein, served on active duty in the armed forces of any governments associated with the United States during any of said periods; provided, however, that such service shall have been terminated by honorable discharge, honorable separation or continued honorably after any of said periods; provided, further, that no person shall be entitled to membership who, being in such service during any of said periods, refused on conscientious, political or other grounds to subject himself to military discipline or unqualified service." (Amended August 5, 1956: August 6, 1960: October 2, 1966: July 20, 1975: October 5, 1998)

To be Amended by:

Removing all of current Article III Section 1 and replacing with: Eligibility to membership in The American Legion shall be as prescribed by the National Constitution and Bylaws of The American Legion.

So that when amended, Article III, Section 1, shall read:

Eligibility to membership in The American Legion shall be as prescribed by the National Constitution of The American Legion.