

THE AMERICAN LEGION, DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN

**RESOLUTION:**        #23-6

**SUBMITTED BY:**    Internal Affairs Committee, Department of Michigan

**SUBJECT:**            American Legion Riders Subcommittee to Full Standing Committee

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS,** The American Legion Riders (ALR) Committee was added to Article VI, Section 1 of the Department Bylaws, by action of the Department Convention; and

**WHEREAS,** This action added the ALR Committee as a subcommittee of the Internal Affairs Committee; and

**WHEREAS,** The ALR Subcommittee, being a subcommittee of the Internal Affairs Committee, assigns an additional duty to the members of that committee under the direction of the subcommittee chairperson; and

**WHEREAS,** The business of the ALR Subcommittee should be conducted by members who are current active riders themselves; and

**WHEREAS,** The purpose of the ALR Committee is to create and maintain a continuing and consistent program for Riders throughout the state of Michigan; and

**WHEREAS,** This program should include a training and development program to ensure the quality and qualifications of the Department ALR's chapters; and

**WHEREAS,** The future of the ALR, within The American Legion Department of Michigan, would be best served by a dedicated standing ALR Committee; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED, By The American Legion, Department of Michigan, in annual Winter Meeting, assembled in Lansing, Michigan, February 10-12, 2023, That Article VI, Section 1, of the Department of Michigan Bylaws, be amended to remove the American Legion Riders Committee as a subcommittee of the Internal Affairs Committee and place it as an independent standing committee of the Department of Michigan; and, be it**

**FURTHER RESOLVED, That, as an independent standing committee, the American Legion Riders Committee consist of a Committee Chair, one committee member from within each Zone of the Department and two alternate members to serve in the absence of a regular member, appointed by the Department Commander and ratified by the DEC, in accordance with Article V, Section 7 of the Department Constitution; and, be it**

**FURTHER RESOLVED, That The American Legion Department of Michigan request one member each from The American Legion Auxiliary Department of Michigan and The Sons**

of The American Legion Department of Michigan, to serve as liaison to the American Legion Riders Committee with voice but without vote; and, be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, That all members appointed to this committee, Legion, Auxiliary, and Sons, shall be current members in good standing of active chapters of The American Legion Riders within the state of Michigan; and, be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, That these appointments shall be consistent with the Department Constitution and Bylaws regarding terms of office, attendance at Conventions, Conferences and Meetings, etc.; and, be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the Rules of Procedure for the Internal Affairs Committee be amended, if necessary, to reflect this change as appropriate; and, be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, That Rules of Procedure for the American Legion Riders be drafted as an independent, full standing committee and be submitted for approval to the DEC through the Internal Affairs Committee; and, be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, That this proposed amendment to the Department Bylaws be presented to the Department of Michigan Convention, regularly assembled at Kewadin Casino and Resort, Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, July 6 through 9, 2023; and, be it

**FINALLY RESOLVED**, That, if approved, this change of the American Legion Riders Subcommittee to a full standing committee and the appointment of the Committee Chair, committee members, and alternates to the American Legion Riders Committee, take effect no later than the second meeting ("30 Day") of the Department Executive Committee, following the closing of the Department Convention, July 6 through 9, 2023 at Kewadin Casino, Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan.

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FOR COMMITTEE USE

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