

**2025 State Convention
Constitution and Bylaws
Proposed Changes**

Note: The following amendments will be presented, each on a separate ballot, for a “YES” or “NO” vote, at the 2025 State Convention.

Explanation:

- Strike out indicates current language in Article that is being removed.
- Italics indicates new or changed language in the Article.

CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT #1

This amendment is proposed and ratified by the Clermont Lions Club.

ARTICLE X Section 4

Section 4. No funds shall be cumulative except the balances remaining in The State Administration Fund; the International Convention Fund not to exceed a reserve of \$10,000, and the International Candidate Reserve Fund not to exceed a reserve of \$35,000, ~~and the State Convention Fund not to exceed a reserve of \$10,000 with \$2,000 of said fund to be set aside solely for the purpose of making payment of deposits to Hotels and/or Convention Centers if required to bind contracting of facilities in year prior to State Convention.~~ All other remaining balances as of June 30 shall revert to the State Administration Fund.

Change to: *and the State Convention Fund not to exceed a reserve of \$25,000, with \$5,000 of said fund to be set aside solely for the purpose of making payment of deposits to Hotels and/or Convention Centers if required to bind contracting of facilities in year prior to State Convention.*

As amended, ARTICLE X Section 4 will read:

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Convention Centers if required to bind contracting of facilities in year prior to State Convention. All other remaining balances as of June 30 shall revert to the State Administration Fund.

Purpose: The purpose for this Constitution Amendment is to allow the future State Convention committees to have necessary funds to adequately prepare and present a fun and educational State Convention for the Lions of Indiana.

CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT #2

This amendment is proposed and ratified by the Clermont Lions Club.

ARTICLE X. Section 8

Section 8. That part of the state per capita dues allocated to the State Convention Fund shall be disbursed by the State Comptroller for the use of the State Council in financing the next State Convention. ~~The Convention shall be financed entirely from the State Convention Fund. There shall be no registration fees nor special assessments made for this purpose.~~ Said Convention Fund shall be disbursed upon approval of the State Council. Ten (10) percent of the total of said fund shall be retained by the State Comptroller until twenty (20) copies of a complete report of the convention proceedings and an accounting shall be given to the State Council setting forth receipts and disbursements of the State Convention.

Add the following language: *The Convention shall be financed primarily from the State Convention Fund. The Convention Committee may charge a reasonable registration fee for the annual State Convention, subject to the approval of the Council of Governors. No other multiple district funds shall be transferred to the State Convention Fund.*

As amended will read:

ARTICLE X Section 8. That part of the state per capita dues allocated to the State Convention Fund shall be disbursed by the State Comptroller for the use of the State Council in financing the next State Convention. *The Convention shall be financed primarily from the State Convention Fund. The Convention Committee may charge a reasonable registration fee for the annual State Convention, subject to approval of the Council of Governors. No other multiple district funds shall be transferred to the State Convention Fund.* Said Convention Fund shall be disbursed upon approval of the State Council. Ten

(10) percent of the total of said fund shall be retained by the State Comptroller until twenty (20) copies of a complete report of the convention proceedings and an accounting shall be given to the State Council setting forth receipts and disbursements of the State Convention.

Purpose:

In order to maintain high standards and provide a quality convention for the Lions of Indiana, it has become necessary to look at convention revenue. Facility and meal costs continue to increase while the dues income for the State Convention fund decreases proportionally with membership in MD 25.