

## **BYLAW CHANGE**

### **40.03 OFFICER TENURE / SUCCESSION**

#### **CURRENT**

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#### **PROPOSED**

© All Elective Department Officers may succeed themselves through re-election to respective offices, however, the Department Commandant may succeed **THEMSELVES** for only one (1 ) **AND PAYMASTER MAY SUCCEED THEMSELVES FOR ONLY FOUR (4)** additional **terms**, thereafter they may be eligible only as herein provided.

#### **DISCUSSION**

“himself” replaced “themselves” to be gender neutral.

Paymaster insert is to remove the burden of a “permanent” position that is currently causing a weak understanding of the Department of Illinois finances and the avoidance of members that may consider filling the Paymaster position that currently appears a lifetime commitment. A regular turnover under the Paymaster reduces the risk of turmoil that would result.

The Paymaster needs a better interaction with the Department Trustees.

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