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| Proposed Amendment to Bylaws Article V, Section 8, Page 15 | | |
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| Current Wording | Proposed Amendment | If Adopted, Will Read |
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| **Section 8. Department Parliamentarian:**  The Department Parliamentarian shall be a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Alabama Inc. The Department Parliamentarian is a consultant, commonly a professional who advises the Department President and other Department Officers, Department Committees, and members on matters of parliamentary procedures. The Department Parliamentarian’s role during a meeting is purely an advisory and consultative one. The rules contained in the current edition of Robert’s Rules of Order, Newly revised shall govern this organization in all cases which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with application state statutes and the American Legion Auxiliary National Constitution. | Amend by  Removing the words **commonly a professional** | **Section 8. Department Parliamentarian:**  The Department Parliamentarian shall be a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Alabama Inc. The Department Parliamentarian is a consultant who advises the Department President and other Department Officers, Department Committees, and members on matters of parliamentary procedures. The Department Parliamentarian’s role during a meeting is purely an advisory and consultative one. The rules contained in the current edition of Robert’s Rules of Order, Newly revised shall govern this organization in all cases which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with application state statutes and the American Legion Auxiliary National Constitution. |

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Rationale: The current wording leads us to believe the Parliamentarian has to be a paid professional Parliamentarian. This is not the case, anyone can be appointed Parliamentarian as long as they are a member in good standing with Department of Alabama, Inc.