

Mover: Nathan Slusher

Motion: I move to remove Article IV, Section IV from the LPBC Constitution. Article IV, Section IV states: "Adoption of a new constitution and bylaws or amendments to this constitution or bylaws, shall be presented for hearings and discussion at two consecutive business meetings and shall only be put to a vote and adopted at the second hearing. "

Argument in support: As a county affiliate, it is our responsibility to maintain standards set by the State of Florida, as well as the Libertarian Party of Florida. Due to the size of the State Party and the State legislation, they can make changes that affect us very quickly. We need to be able to adjust course when these changes occur. Because they will. This current section holds us to be in noncompliance for a minimum of 31 days, if notice is assumed 24 hours prior to the 1st meeting. Most Likely average time of non-compliance would be 60-90 days depending on notice date. This puts us in noncompliance long enough to be dangerously unprotected.

Case and Point: An audit presented at the formal meeting of 03/17/2021 showed us to be noncompliant on 3 sections of our constitution and bylaws. If the articles are written to compliance, they would be presented and announced on 04/21/2021 and presented again, discussed, and voted on 05/19/2021. IF we assume the State of Florida makes zero changed between now and then. We need, and more importantly the future LPBC leaders need, to be able to alter course whenever needed to accomplish our group goals. Without having to repeat the challenges we faced to alter this constitution.

Basis #2: Libertarian Party of Florida does not have this in their constitution. Article 8, section 2-A notifies amendment changes online prior to meeting and 2/3 vote passes at the first meeting presented.

Basis #3: Libertarian National Party does not have this. LPN allows for amendments at any normal convention by 2/3 vote. No notice required.