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1. **Purpose.** These Bylaws provide guidance concerning the function and organization of the Department of Texas. The primary goal of these Bylaws is to ensure that the Department of Texas is operated in accordance with the Marine Corps League's structure and to follow all local, state, and national laws. The 2023 Edition of the Department of Texas Bylaws and Administrative Procedures has hereby canceled this date.
2. **Goal.** The goal of the Department of Texas Bylaws is to provide the Department leadership with effective resources and guidance to ensure that Detachments, Districts, and the Department are successful and relevant to the membership. These Bylaws and the Administrative Procedures set the specific guidelines and requirements for all Department members to follow.
3. **Ratification.** These Department Bylaws were presented to all members at the 2024 Department Convention held in Houston, TX. There were *no changes* to the bylaws which were ratified in 2023. The Department Bylaws were ratified/approved by majority vote of all members present at the 2024 Department of Texas Convention on Saturday, 29 June 2024.

4. **Effective Date of Department of Texas Bylaws.** These Bylaws were effective on 29 June 2024, the last day of the 2024 Department of Texas Convention as required by the 2023 Department Bylaws, Section 1105.

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ARTICLE I

Name

Section 100. Name. The name of the corporation shall be the Marine Corps League. (TXMCL). The Marine Corps League is a non-profit corporation incorporated by an Act of the Seventy-fifth Congress of the United States of America at the First Session, begun and held at the City of Washington on Tuesday, the fifth day of January 1937, and approved August 4, 1937.

Section 105. Mission Statement. The mission of the Marine Corps League is to promote the interest and preserve traditions of the United States Marine Corps; strengthen the fraternity of Marines and their families; serve Marines, FMF Navy Personnel who wear or have worn the Eagle, Globe, and Anchor; and foster the ideals of Americanism and patriotic volunteerism.

ARTICLE II

Purpose of the Marine Corps League

Department of Texas adheres to National By-laws, Article II

ARTICLE III

Organization

Department of Texas adheres to National By-laws, Article III

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ARTICLE IV Department Convention

Section 400. Authority. The legislative and policy making power of the Department of Texas Marine Corps League (TXMCL) shall be vested in a Department Convention composed of properly elected, registered, and approved delegates in good standing. Only executive and administrative powers will be: delegated to its Department Board of Trustees or to individual members of the TXMCL.

Section 405. Committees. The Department Convention administrative committees shall be: credentials, bylaws, resolutions, rules, and others that may be listed within by the administrative procedures.

Section 410. Quorum. The minimum number required to transact the regular and legal business of a Department Convention shall be the registered and approved delegates in good standing from a majority of all chartered Detachments in the Department of Texas Marine Corps League.

Section 415. Elections.

- A. The election of Department Officers shall be the last order of business of the Department Convention. The election of the Commandant, Senior Vice Commandant, Junior Vice Commandant, Judge Advocate, Adjutant, Paymaster (or Adjutant/Paymaster), Sgt at Arms and Chaplain shall be conducted in this order by a roll call vote. Following this procedure, the election of District Vice Commandants and Assistant District Vice Commandants (if required) shall be conducted by acclamation. The Installation of Officers shall be at the call of the current Commandant.
- B. A majority of the delegate votes cast at the Department Convention is required to elect the Department Commandant, Department Senior Vice Commandant, Department Junior Vice Commandant, Department Judge Advocate, and Adjutant, Paymaster (or Adjutant/Paymaster). When a simple majority is not obtained on the first ballot, a second ballot will immediately commence after a caucus (not to exceed ten minutes). Should a majority fail to materialize on the second or successive ballots, the candidate with the least votes shall be dropped as a contender (after each ballot) until a simple majority is achieved.
- C. The District Vice Commandants will be elected by “caucus” prior to the “vote by acclamation” on the Department Convention floor. This “caucus” may be completed at the Department Convention prior to the official election at the Convention by using the process used by the Department Credentials Committee. Caucus is defined as “each Detachment has their voting strength from those Detachment’s within each specified District (See Chapter Four) present at the Department Convention.” The District itself can determine when the election is held, as long as it is conducted with a “caucus.” During the caucus, a Detachment may split their voting strength as determined by that Detachment.

Section 420. Meetings. The Department Convention shall be convened once each calendar year during the month of June unless prevented by national emergency or other unpreventable cause. The time and place of the meeting shall be in accordance with the Department Administrative Procedures.

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Section 425. Parliamentary Authority. The current edition of *Roberts Rule of Order Newly Revised* shall govern in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not in conflict with the Department Bylaws and Department Administrative Procedures and any special rules of order the Department may adopt. In the event of a conflict, the ruling authority is the Department Bylaws, then the Department Administrative Procedures, then *Roberts Rule of Order Newly Revised*.

ARTICLE V Membership

Department of Texas adheres to National By-laws, Article V

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ARTICLE VI Department Board of Trustees

Section 600. Composition. The Department Board of Trustees shall be composed the following:

(A) Department Commandant, (B) Department Senior Vice Commandant, (C) Department Junior Vice Commandant, (D) Department Judge Advocate, (E) Department Adjutant and/or Paymaster, (F) Department Chaplain, (G) Department Sgt at Arms (H) Department District Vice Commandants, and (I) Junior Past Department Commandant.

Section 605. Powers. Between Conventions the powers and authority of the Department Board of Trustees shall be:

- A. To suspend or revoke a charter granted to a Detachment for any of the following:
 - 1. Failure to obtain and maintain its own EIN under the MCL's Group Exemption Code number "0955" in order to maintain its non-profit status under IRS Code 501c(4) within six months from the charter date.
 - 2. Failure to have an official "Articles of Incorporation" filed at the state level within one year from the charter date;
 - 3. Failure to submit its annual "Report of Officers Installation" form.
- B. To establish, publish and be responsible for an official Department publication;
- C. To exercise such powers and do such other actions as are compatible with the Department Bylaws and Administrative Procedures which are in the best interest of the TXMCL;
- D. To exercise executive power between Department Conventions;
- E. To approve or disapprove the minutes of the Department Convention at the next regularly scheduled Mid-Winter staff meeting of the MCL following the Convention, only to the degree of correcting errors or omissions;
- F. To approve all contracts, which shall then be signed by the Department Commandant; and
 - 1. To adopt administrative procedures to implement the Department Bylaws and to conduct the business of the Department.

Section 610. Department Elected Officers. The Department Officers to be elected by each Department Convention shall be: Department Commandant, Department Senior Vice Commandant, Department Junior Vice Commandant, Department Judge Advocate, Department Adjutant and/or Paymaster, Department Chaplain, Department Sgt at Arms, and Department District Vice Commandants.

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Section 615. Department Elected Officers Term of Office.

- A. The Department Commandant, Department Senior Vice Commandant, Department Junior Vice Commandant, Department Judge Advocate, shall be elected for a term of one (1) year and may stand for re-election one (1) consecutive additional year.
- B. The Department Adjutant and/or Paymaster, Department Chaplain, Department Sgt at Arms, and Department District Vice Commandants shall be elected for a term of one (1) year and may stand for re-election with **no term limits**.

Section 620. Vacancies.

A. Department Elected Officers

1. **Order of Succession.** The order of succession to the office of the Department Commandant shall be; first, Department Senior Vice Commandant and second, Department Junior Vice Commandant.
2. **Department Commandant.** Should the Department Commandant's position become vacant, the Department Senior Vice Commandant, if agreeable, will serve as the new Commandant for the remainder of the term. If not agreeable, the Department Junior Vice Commandant, if agreeable, will serve as the new Commandant for the remainder of the term. The new Commandant will be responsible for finding a replacement for their previous position with assistance and approval of the Department Board of Trustees.
3. **Department Senior Vice Commandant.** Should the Department Senior Vice Commandant position become vacant, the Junior Vice Commandant, if agreeable, will serve as the new Senior Vice Commandant for the remainder of the term. If not agreeable, the Commandant will be responsible for finding and appointing a replacement for the vacancy, with the assistance and approval of the Department Board of Trustees.
4. **Department Junior Vice Commandant or Department Judge Advocate.** Should the Department Junior Vice Commandant or Department Judge Advocate position become vacant, the Department Commandant will be responsible for finding and appointing a replacement for the vacancy, with assistance and approval of the Department Board of Trustees.
5. **Any Other Department Officer.** Should any other elected or appointed position become vacant, the Department Commandant will be responsible for finding and appointing a replacement for the vacancy, with assistance and approval of the Department Board of Trustees.
6. **Causes for Vacancy.** In addition to death, resignation, or incapacity, a vacancy will occur through: (1) failure to attend two consecutive, officially called meetings of the Department Board of Trustees or (2) removal from office by disciplinary action in accordance with the Department Administrative Procedures.

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Section 625. Duties of Department Board of Trustee Members. Each member of the Board of Trustees shall acquire a working knowledge of the Bylaws and Administrative Procedures of the MCL and Department. The specific duties of the Board of Trustees are:

- A. **Department Commandant** shall be the Chief Executive Officer and shall preside at all sessions of the Convention and all meetings of the Board of Trustees. The Commandant, together with the Board of Trustees, shall have direction and control of the executive and administrative affairs of the Department between conventions. In addition, the Commandant shall:
1. Observe and enforce the observance of the Department Charter and the Department Bylaws and Administrative Procedures;
 2. Direct to all officers and members orders not in conflict with the Department Bylaws and Administrative Procedures;
 3. Call such meetings of the Department Board of Trustees as are required by the Department Bylaws and Administrative Procedures;
 4. Seek the advice of the Department Board of Trustees and Staff;
 5. With the Department Paymaster (or Adjutant/Paymaster), have custody of all funds and property of the TXMCL, subject to the supervision of the Department Board of Trustees;
 6. With the advice and consent of the Department Board of Trustees, appoint necessary standing committees. However, the committee of "Marine of the Year" shall be constituted as is provided in the Department Administrative Procedures;
 7. Approve or disapprove all requisitions of the Department Paymaster (or Adjutant/Paymaster) which are in excess of five hundred (\$500) dollars;
 8. Represent the TXMCL at all social functions and ceremonies in a manner that will enhance the dignity, honor, and prestige of the MCL;
 9. The Department of Texas Commandant may not hold the office of Commandant for a Detachment. If this is the case then they shall resign from the lower office upon being sworn in.
 10. The Department of Texas Commandant may not assign a Marine to a Detachment without that Detachments approval via majority vote.

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- B. **Department Senior Vice Commandant** shall assist the Department Commandant and during the absence or illness of the Department Commandant perform the duties of that office. He shall preside over all Department Commandants' Council Conferences and with their assistance initiate and implement dynamic programs that will increase the effectiveness of the TXMCL. The Department Senior Vice Commandant will be designated TXMCL's "Corporate Secretary" and shall be directly responsible to the Department Board of Trustees for that position.
- C. **Department Junior Vice Commandant** shall create and promulgate membership incentives and programs that will produce enthusiastic response resulting in continuous membership growth. In the absence of the Department Commandant and the Department Senior Vice Commandant, he shall perform the duties of the Department Commandant. The Department Junior Vice Commandant will be designated the TXMCL's "Corporate Treasurer."
- D. **Department Judge Advocate** shall interpret the Bylaws and Administrative Procedures. They shall advise, construe, counsel and render opinions on questions of law and procedure to the Convention, Commandant, Board of Trustees, and Detachments when so required in the manner outlined hereafter. A copy of all rulings and opinions must be immediately submitted to the Commandant, Board of Trustees and parties concerned. (Electronic submission is acceptable unless otherwise directed.)
1. **At the Department Conventions**, upon the request of an approved delegate, through the Chair, the Department Judge Advocate shall render an opinion on law and procedure to the Chair whereupon the Chair will rule upon the opinion and question, which ruling shall be final unless appealed by an approved delegate, whereupon the Department Judge Advocate will put the question "Shall the ruling of the Chair be sustained?" A standing vote of approved delegates will be called and two thirds (2/3) of the total vote will be required to reverse the ruling of the Chair.
 2. **At Department Board of Trustees meetings**, the procedure in Section 625d(1) above shall apply and two thirds (2/3) of the Department Board of Trustees present and voting will be required to reverse the ruling of the Chair.
 3. **Questions Though Channels**. On all questions of law and procedure pertaining to the Department of Texas referred to this office through channels, the Department Judge Advocate shall rule in writing, by mail or electronic submission, copies of the ruling to the parties concerned and to the Department Commandant and National Judge Advocate. Such rulings shall be binding unless and until reversed by the National Judge Advocate.
 4. **More Than One Office**. The Department Judge Advocate may not hold the office of Judge Advocate in his detachment. If this is the case then he shall resign from the lower office upon being sworn into the department office.
 5. **Review and approve** department bylaws and administrative procedures.

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E. Department District Vice Commandants shall:

1. Be held accountable to the Department Board of Trustees for the care and proper administration of their district;
2. Reserved;
3. Reserved;
4. Make every continuing effort to establish new detachments within their district;

F. The Department Assistant District Vice Commandant will:

1. Represent their district in the absence of the District Vice Commandant at meetings of the Department Board of Trustees as a voting member;
2. Be permitted to attend all Department Board of Trustees meetings to include executive sessions as a non-board member unless representing their district in the absence of the District Vice Commandant;
3. Perform additional duties as directed by the District Vice Commandant.

G. Junior Past Department Commandant shall be a voting member of the Department Board of Trustees. The Junior Past Department Commandant shall preside at all Past Department Commandant Council conferences.

Section 630. Department Board of Trustees Meetings.

A. The Department Board of Trustees shall meet:

1. Annually, immediately prior to each Department Convention: (1) to close out the executive administration of the Department Board of Trustees from that fiscal year; (2) to finalize preparation for the ensuing convention; and (3) to identify pending and unaccomplished executive actions warranting further action by the convention or by the Department Board of Trustees during the ensuing fiscal year;
2. Annually, immediately after adjournment of each Department Convention for the purpose of selecting appointed Department officers and standing committees and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it;
3. Annually, during the month October (to be known as the Department Conference) at a location chosen each year by the Department Board of Trustees;

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4. At the call of the Department Commandant for special emergency reasons, providing that a quorum of the Department Board of Trustees is assured by polling by the Senior Vice Commandant prior to the issuance of the call for a special meeting. These meetings are authorized by teleconferencing; or
 5. At the call of at least one third (1/3) of the members of the Department Board of Trustees, provided at least one of those members shall include a non-Department Vice Commandant, may call for a Special Meeting of the Department Board of Trustees to discuss matters of emergency measures considered most important for the conduct of business of the Department Board of Trustees between Department conventions. The senior member of the Department Board of Trustees asking for such a Special Meeting shall chair the Special Meeting. The Chair of the Special Called Meeting will ensure that each member of the Department Board of Trustees is notified of the date, time, and location of the Special Meeting. Such a Special Called Meeting will ensure that a Quorum is in accordance with Section 635 of the Department Bylaws in order to conduct official business of the Special Called Department Board of Trustees Meeting.
- B. Conduct of Business.** The conduct of business at all Department Board of Trustees meetings shall be governed by the Department Bylaws and Administrative Procedures. The rules in the current edition of *Roberts Rule of Order Newly Revised* shall govern the Department Board of Trustees meetings in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not in conflict with the TXMCL's bylaws and administrative procedures and any special rules of order the Department may adopt. In the event of a conflict, the ruling authority is the Department Bylaws, then the Department Administrative Procedures, then *Roberts Rule of Order Newly Revised*.
- C. Recording of Minutes.** All Department Board of Trustees meetings must be properly recorded.
1. The minutes at a minimum shall include but not limited to:
 - a. Date, Time, & Location of the meeting.
 - b. Purpose of the meeting.
 - c. Members attending.
 - d. Issues discussed.
 - e. Action(s) taken.

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2. Minutes will be taken for all regularly scheduled and special meetings of the Board of Trustees. The minutes will be presented to the Board of Trustees within seven (7) days for review. The Board of Trustees should approve the minutes within seven (7) days upon receipt. After the minutes are approved, the Commandant or the presiding officer at the meeting will send the minutes to the Department Adjutant (or Adjutant/Paymaster). Within two additional weeks, the Department Adjutant (or Adjutant/Paymaster) will ensure the filing of “official documents.”
3. The minutes of the meetings, upon receipt by the Department Web Sergeant, will be made available to the members on the TXMCL Department Website in the “Resources>Forms/Docs” section. The Detachments shall ensure that these minutes are available to each member. The exceptions to these minutes are matters that the Board of Trustees deemed unfinished and/or those matters that were discussed in “executive session.”

Section 635. Quorum. A majority of the Department Board of Trustees shall constitute a quorum.

Section 640. Voting. Each Department Board of Trustees member shall have one (1) vote. There shall be no proxy voting. The Department Judge Advocate shall abstain from voting on all matters wherein he has rendered an official opinion.

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ARTICLE VII Department Staff Officers

700. Composition of Department Staff. The Department Staff Officers shall be comprised of the Department Board of Trustees, appointed Department Staff Officers, committee chairmen, liaison officers, and Past Department Commandants. The Department Staff Roster will consist of the Department Staff Officers, Past Department Commandants, and the Department Commandants.

Section 705. Department Staff Officers. Department Staff Officers shall acquire a working knowledge of the Department Bylaws and Department Administrative Procedures and shall act as assistants to the Department Board of Trustees. They shall perform the duties delineated in the Department Administrative Procedures.

- A. **Department Director of Conventions** shall, as chairman of and with the Department Convention Committee, perform the duties delineated in the Department Administrative Procedures (Section 3040).

Section 710. Department Staff Powers. The power and authority of the Department Staff shall be the same as that of the Department Board of Trustees, except that Assistant District Vice Commandants, appointed Department Staff Officers, committee chairmen, liaison officers, Past Department Commandants, and Department Commandants' Councils shall have no vote and shall not be considered in determining a quorum for the Department Board of Trustees meetings.

Section 715. Contracting Authority. No Department officer, employee, or committee chairman, or member of the TXMCL shall enter into or sign any contract or agreement for the purpose of binding the Department organization of the MCL without first submitting such contract or agreement to the Department Judge Advocate for his consideration. His recommendations shall be forwarded to the Department's attorney and insurance carrier for their written recommendations. All documents and recommendations shall be forwarded to the entire Department Board of Trustees. The Department Board of Trustees thereafter, by a majority vote, may accept or reject, in whole or in part, the contract or agreement submitted to it. All contracts or agreements consummated in the name of the Department Headquarters of the TXMCL shall require the signature of the Department Commandant.

Section 720. Vacancies. A vacancy in an appointed office, a committee chairman, or a committee member shall be filled as soon as practical by the Department Commandant. All such appointments shall be approved by the Department Board of Trustees at the next scheduled meeting.

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**ARTICLE VIII
Departments**

Department of Texas adheres to National By-laws, Article VIII

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ARTICLE IX Detachments

Section 900. Detachment Charter.

Department of Texas adheres to National By-laws Section 900.

Section 905. Bylaws.

Department of Texas adheres to National By-laws Section 905.

Section 910. Members.

Department of Texas adheres to National By-laws Section 910.

Section 915. Ineligible Members.

Department of Texas adheres to National By-laws Section 915.

Section 920. Detachment Officers.

Department of Texas adheres to National By-laws Section 920.

Section 925. Vacancies.

Department of Texas adheres to National By-laws Section 925.

Section 930. Meetings.

Department of Texas adheres to National By-laws Section 930.

Section 935. Detachment Board of Trustees.

Department of Texas adheres to National By-laws Section 935.

Section 940. Election of Officers.

Department of Texas adheres to National By-laws Section 940.

Section 945. Suspension and Revocation of Charter.

A. **Basis.** The charter of a detachment may be suspended or revoked for:

1. The persistent failure to maintain a minimum of fifteen members in good standing;
2. The persistent failure to forward promptly funds due to the National body (including Paid Life Member “PLM” report);
3. Acts and conduct bringing the MCL into public disrespect;
4. Willful violation of National Bylaws and Administrative Procedures, and the Department Bylaws and Administrative Procedures;

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ARTICLE IX Detachments

5. Violation of federal, state, or municipal laws or ordinances; or
 - a. Failure to obtain an EIN from the IRS within six (6) months of chartering and maintain an active status under IRS Code 501c(4).
 - b. Failure to incorporate within one (1) year of chartering.
6. Other activities detrimental to the good name of the MCL.

B. Authority.

1. The suspension or revocation of charters may be directed by a Department Board of Trustees and/or the National Board of Trustees.
2. A charter being “suspended” should be for a specific amount of time issued by the Department or National Board of Trustees. Upon satisfying the suspending entity that the reason for the suspension has been corrected, that Department or National Board of Trustees can remove the suspension. The Detachment is then in “good standing.”
3. A charter that has been revoked, can only be re-chartered by the National Board of Trustees.
4. In the case of Section 945a(1) through (6), shall be implemented in accordance with the provisions of the National Bylaws and Administrative Procedures, and the Department Bylaws and Administrative Procedures.

Section 950. Voluntary Surrender of Charter.

Department of Texas adheres to National By-laws Section 950.

Section 955. EIN and Incorporation.

Department of Texas adheres to National By-laws Section 955.

Section 960. Parliamentary Authority.

Department of Texas adheres to National By-laws Section 960.

Section 965. Contracting Authority.

Department of Texas adheres to National By-laws Section 965.

ARTICLE X Subsidiary Organizations

Department of Texas adheres to National By-laws, Article X

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ARTICLE XI

Department Bylaws Amendments

Section 1100. Department Bylaws Amendments. The Department Bylaws may be revised, amended, or repealed by a majority vote of the properly registered and approved Delegates present and voting at the Department Convention, provided the proposed revision, amendment, or repeal is submitted following the procedures in the Department Administrative Procedures, Chapter Ten, Section 10020, Amendments.

Section 1105. Effective Date. Each revision, amendment, or repeal of a provision of the Department Bylaws and the Administrative Procedures which is approved at a Department Convention and does not provide for an effective date, will become effective upon the close of the convention at which it is approved.

Section 1110. Department Bylaws Distribution.

- A. The current edition of the Department Bylaws of the Department of Texas Marine Corps League along with any published changes shall be posted on the Department website for the access and review by all members of the Marine Corps League, the Department Board of Trustees, Department Headquarters, Marine Corps League Auxiliary, and the Military Order of the Devil Dogs Kennel. Changes approved at the Department Convention each year shall be posted to the website once completed.

Section 1115. Clerical Errors.

- A. The Department Bylaws and Administrative Procedures Committee shall have the authority to identify and correct clerical errors in the Department Bylaws and the Department Administrative Procedures where the error is clearly evident, and the correction shall make no material change to the intent, form, or function of the bylaws or the administrative procedure in question.
- B. Any League member who makes notice of a clerical error that meets the criteria detailed in Section 1115.a. shall email their respective Department Judge Advocate the clerical error. The Department JA shall confirm the error and ensure the correction is valid before **29 June 2024**.

Section 1120. Department Administrative Procedures.

- A. Changes to the Department Administrative Procedures will be approved by the membership by majority vote at a Department Convention. Recommendations for changes to the Department Administrative Procedures will be covered in that document.
- B. Changes to the Department Administrative Procedures may also be approved by the Department Board of Trustees by majority vote when it is necessary for the operational needs of the Marine Corps League. These changes to the Administrative Procedures will be sent immediately to all Department Vice Commandants with directions to be passed to all Detachments. Amendments can be proposed to the changes made by the Board of Trustees to the Administrative Procedures, and they must be submitted according to Department Administrative Procedures Section 10020 §A.

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**ARTICLE XII
Dissolution**

Department of Texas adheres to National By-laws, Article XII

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