

2017 PEF Convention

**CONSTITUTIONAL
AMENDMENT**

NO. 1

Proposal – Special Election Period Constitutional Amendment

Article X Elections

B. Special Elections

1. Special Elections to fill vacancies, **which occur before the last three weeks of the quarter**, shall be scheduled on a quarterly basis, with elections commencing on or about the first of January, April, July and October for vacancies occurring within the previous quarterly election period.

PEF Constitution

Article VII Executive Board

D Powers and Duties

7. Establish and provide for the implementation of procedures for special elections to fill all vacancies for Officer, Trustee, and Executive Board Representative positions which occur, and establish and provide for the implementation of schedules and procedures for nominations and elections for all other elective union positions, consistent with this Constitution and the Special Rules of Order

A. Regular Elections

1. For Founding Convention, the Officers, Executive Board Members and Trustees shall be elected by majority balloting of the delegates of the appropriate constituency at the Convention.

2. Subsequent elections shall be by membership vote of the appropriate constituency. Statewide and Executive Board elections shall be by secret ballot and certified by the American Arbitration Association. The election balloting shall commence on the first Monday in June and continue for three (3) weeks. Elections shall be by majority vote of regular members of PEF voting in any election.

B. Special Elections

1. Special Elections to fill vacancies shall be scheduled on a quarterly basis, with elections commencing on or about the first of January, April, July and October for vacancies occurring within the previous quarterly election period.

2. Vacancies occurring on or after January 1 in the year of the Regular Elections will not be filled by a Special Election. These vacancies will be filled by the Regular Elections.

3. Persons elected in Special Elections shall take office immediately upon certification of the election count by the American Arbitration Association (AAA) and shall serve until the expiration date of the term.