

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA
1601 7TH STREET, SANGER, CA 93657-280
Department of California Convention, 18-19 April 2026
Norco, CA, 92860

Department Resolution No. 2026-02
Subject: Transfer of Chapter Members While Under Administrative Action
Origin: Constitution and Bylaws Committee
Submitted By: Mark Rice (Chapter 521)

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Disciplinary actions will be prosecuted by the local Post (Chapter) in accordance with the National Bylaws of the American Legion, Article 4, Sections 1 & 2; and
WHEREAS, The second paragraph The American Legion National Bylaw Article 4, Section 2 states, *“Any local post that has initiated disciplinary action against an offending member under Article IV, Section 2, will maintain jurisdiction of that member’s disciplinary process until the cause of such action is resolved, and that the member shall not transfer to any other post during this process unless approved by both the losing and gaining posts”*; and
WHEREAS, The American Legion Riders Department of California Bylaws Article XIV, Section 4 currently reads, *“Members of the American Legion Riders shall be suspended or expelled as provided in the Department of California Administrative Hearing Manual”*; and
WHEREAS, Under this Department Bylaw, a member under one or more charges in accordance with the Administrative Hearing Manual, there is nothing to prevent a member from transferring to another Chapter in order to escape prosecution; and
WHEREAS, This loophole needs to be closed so that the local Chapter will be able complete to a point of resolve any disciplinary action(s) under the bylaws; now therefore be it
RESOLVED, By The American Legion Riders Department of California at the Department Convention in Norco, California, on April 18-19, 2026, that the Department of California American Legion Riders Bylaws Article XIV Section 4 be amended to read, *“Members of the American Legion Riders shall be suspended or expelled as provided in the Administrative Hearing Manual. Any local Chapter that has initiated a disciplinary action against an offending member under Article XIV, Section 4 of these Bylaws, will maintain jurisdiction of that member’s disciplinary process until the cause of such action is resolved, and that the member shall not transfer to any other Chapter during this process unless approved by both the losing and gaining Chapters.”*

This is to certify by the signatures below that the above Resolution was passed as described

Tom Lively

Constitution and Bylaws Committee Chairman

March 16, 2026

Date

Department Director

Date

Department Secretary

Date