

Proposed Change to Bylaw(s)

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Existing Bylaw:

Committees - State Referee Committee

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The president, based on a recommendation of the state referee committee (SRC), shall appoint the chair of the committee with the approval of the board. The SRC chair shall be appointed for a specified two-year term and may be reappointed. A specific SRC chair may be a member of the board for only four consecutive years.

The vice-president-adult and the vice-president-youth, based on a recommendation of the SRC, shall jointly appoint, with the approval of the board, the state Referee Administrator (SRA) to the committee. The SRA shall be appointed for a specified two-year term and may be reappointed. The SRA may be a member of the state Board but shall not be the President or Executive Director of the State Association. A specific SRA may serve as a member of the board for only four (4) consecutive years.

The vice-president-youth, based on a recommendation of the SRC, shall appoint, with the approval of the board, the state youth referee administrator (SYRA) to the committee. The SYRA shall be appointed for a specified two-year term and may be reappointed. The SYRA may be a member of the board but shall not be the President or Executive Director of the State Association. No SYRA may be a member of the board for more than four years.

The state Referee Administrator and state Youth Referee Administrator shall be members of this committee and with the state referee committee chair shall nominate candidates for the state director of assessment, state director of instruction and state director of assignment, all of whom shall become members of this committee after approval by the board. They shall be appointed for a specified two-year term and may be reappointed.

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How the Bylaw would read after proposed change:

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Rationale:

Simplifying the state referee committee structure to the minimum required by the US Soccer Federation, following the principles of the restructuring of the GSSA board. This amendment transfers the responsibilities of the SRC chair to the SRA which is the structure in most states.