

SUMMARY OF RULE CHANGES

APPROVED AT THE SIR BOARD MEETING 6/4/2013

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- 1) Rules 24 and 866 removed the exclusion of HLM from a branch's assessment and consequently now allows an HLM to be inactive.
- 2) Rule 38 Defined cutoff dates for filing Form 15 Expense Claim Voucher; established need for receipt if more than a \$15 expense. Mileage now \$0.35 per mile. Personal computer copies now \$0.10 per sheet.
- 3) Rule 44 Allows branches the option to assess its members to help defray branch expenses. Specifies that fund raising events are not allowed. (Bylaws Section 17 and 132 must be approved at August 5 Annual Meeting before rule 44 change can become effective.)
- 4) Rule 216 Codifies existing practice for submittal of Form 28. Form does not require BEC approval. Check book balance does not require confirmation with bank statement.
- 5) Rule 354 (New)- Clarifies whether the branch or the SIRinc Officer pays for lunch when visiting a branch.
- 6) Rule 369 Increases the foreign travel insurance rate from \$5 to \$7, to help defray insurance premium cost for this protection.
- 7) Rule 757 Confirms a long-standing practice for the State Advisor to be an Ex Officio member of the State Executive Committee. (Bylaws Section 220 must be approved at August 5 Annual Meeting before rule 757 change can become effective.)
- 8) IRS 501(c)(4) letter has been added to the manual

The following Bylaw revisions are to be voted on at the August Annual Meeting:

Bylaws, Sections 17 and 132- Brings these sections into conformance with revised Rule 44 above.

Bylaws, Section 220- Brings this section into conformance with revised Rule 757 above.

Bylaws, Section 225- Adds a State Budget Oversight Committee to Standing Committees of SIRinc.