

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 3

Methods of Voting

Submitted by the Executive Council

The Constitution allows for voting through voice vote, show of hands or division or roll call vote. Show of hands is not realistic in a convention as large as the AFL-CIO's, and it is never done. The proposed amendment deletes showing of hands as a method of voting, and changes "division" to the more proper parliamentary terms of "rising vote" and "counted rising vote."

Amend Article IV, Section 18, as follows:

Sec. 18. Questions may be decided by voice vote, ~~show of hands or division,~~ ***rising vote, counted rising vote,*** or, upon the request of 30 percent of the delegates present, by a roll call vote. Upon such roll call each delegate representing affiliated national or international unions, organizing committees and directly affiliated local unions shall be entitled to cast one vote for every member whom the delegate represents. Each state, area and local central body and trade and industrial department shall be entitled to one vote.