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# **ADDITIONAL AMENDMENTS TO PROPOSED RULE CHANGES**

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# VICTORIAN YOUNG LABOR

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## AMENDMENT 2 TO VYL2

Proposed By: Rules Revision Committee

### **Description of amendment:**

This amendment clarifies the language of the proposed rule change, to ensure the proposed rule change is clear and workable.

Amends parts of the proposed rule change to ensure consistency of language throughout the rules; and Removes unnecessary parts of the proposed rule change.

NOTE: This amendment was submitted pursuant to Rule 7.4.6.5.

### **Amendment to Rule change:**

*For the amendment, add the following words in red, italics and underlined and remove the words in red, italics and struck through, and renumber all other parts of the Rules accordingly:*

*Add the following words underlined and remove the words struck through, and renumber all other parts of the Rules accordingly:*

~~15.1.2.~~ Despite Rule 15.1.1, financial members of the Victorian Branch remain VYL members whilst they:

~~14.1.2.1.~~ Are delegates to AYL National Conference; or

~~14.1.2.2.~~ Hold an office in VYL or AYL under these rules.

### 15.1.2 Pursuant to Rule 15.1.1,

15.1.2.1. VYL members who exceed the age limit stipulated in rule 15.1.1. on 1 January and ~~are either a) delegates to AYL National Conference; or b)~~ hold an office in VYL ~~or AYL~~ under these rules ~~may have their position declared vacant by a simple majority of the VYL Executive and filled in accordance with the casual vacancy provisions of schedule B. shall not be considered members of Victorian Young Labor. As such, any positions that are held by aged out VYL members shall be automatically declared vacant, with positions being replaced in accordance with the casual vacancy provisions of Schedule B.~~

15.1.2.2. ~~Rule 15.1.2.1 will not apply to any AYL positions, including AYL Delegates and AYL Alternate Delegates.~~

15.1.2.3. ~~Should the executive exercise the powers in Rule 15.1.2.1, the rule then must be applied consistently for the remainder of the term.~~

## AMENDMENT 3 TO VYL2

Proposed By: Rules Revision Committee

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~~15.1.2.~~ VYL members who exceed the age limit stipulated in rule 15.1.1. on 1 January and are either a) delegates to AYL National Conference; or b) hold an office in VYL or AYL under these rules shall not be considered members of Victorian Young Labor. As such, any positions that are held by aged out VYL members shall be automatically declared vacant, with positions being replaced in accordance with the casual vacancy provisions of Schedule B.

15.1.2. Despite Rule 15.1.1, financial members of the Victorian Branch remain VYL members whilst they:

14.1.2.1. Are delegates to AYL National Conference; or

15.1.3. Central Branch members who are under the age of 26 on 1 January are members of Victorian Young Labor and are eligible to ~~participate vote~~ in the election of the VYL Executive, VYL Officers and Delegates and Alternate Delegates to AYL Conference.

15.6.4. Any registered delegate of Young Labor Conference as determined by Rule 15.4 who is under the age of 26 by the 1 January in the calendar year following the conference shall be eligible to nominate for any VYL position.

## AMENDMENT 3 TO VYL3

Proposed By: Rules Revision Committee

### Description of amendment:

This amendment:

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- removes unnecessary parts of the proposed rule change.

NOTE: This amendment was submitted pursuant to Rule 7.4.6.5.

### Amendment to Rule change:

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**15.3.5.1.** To elect in accordance with these rules, the President, Senior Vice President, Junior Vice President, Executive of Victorian Young Labor and delegates and alternate delegates to AYL Conference, VYL People of Colour Co-Convenors; and

**15.6.1.** The Young Labor Conference must elect from its registered delegates a VYL Executive consisting of:

**15.6.1.1.** A VYL President, Senior Vice-President and Junior Vice-President elected *by and from the registered delegates to Young Labor Conference* in one ballot by proportional representation; and

**15.6.1.2.** 15 other members elected *by and from the registered delegates to Young Labor Conference* in one ballot by proportional representation; *and*

**15.6.1.3.** Two (2) People of Colour Co-Convenors elected *by and from the registered delegates to Young Labor Conference who are members of the VYL PoC Caucus* in one ballot by proportional representation, as governed by rule 15.12 of this document.

**15.7.6.** Proxies to VYL Executive

**15.7.6.1.** Any member of the VYL Executive who is absent from more than three meetings during their term of office shall have their position declared vacant. Replacement of Executive members shall be done in accordance with the casual vacancy provisions of Schedule B.

**15.7.6.2.** In the event of any member of the Executive (including an Officer of VYL) being unable to attend a meeting of the VYL Executive they shall notify in writing the VYL Secretary (by letter, email or facsimile) of the name of any VYL member that they appoint as proxy

for that meeting of the VYL Executive they would otherwise be eligible to attend, provided such proxy is a current member of VYL. The Secretary must provide a confirmation of receipt of the proxy.

**15.7.6.3.** Only female members of VYL can hold a proxy for female members of the VYL executive.

**15.7.6.4.** *Only members identifying as POC or CALD can hold a proxy for the POC officers of VYL.*

## **15.12. VYL People of Colour Caucus and Co-Convenors**

**15.12.1.** Victorian Young Labor shall contain a VYL People of Colour Caucus (*VYL POC Caucus*).

**15.12.2.** *Membership of the VYL PoC Caucus shall comprise of any VYL member who identifies as a Person of Colour (and so would be represented by the Co-Convenors). All POC/CALD identifying members of VYL under Rule 15.1 are members of the VYL POC caucus*

**15.12.3.** The main objectives of the VYL PoC Caucus are:

**15.12.3.1.** To attract and support People of Colour who want to get involved in progressive politics through VYL; and

**15.12.3.2.** Find new avenues and areas in which to bring more people of diverse backgrounds into politics through VYL; and

**15.12.3.3.** Increase awareness of issues that People of Colour are facing in VYL and the wider party; and

**15.12.3.4.** Work collaboratively with other VYL members to achieve greater representation of cultural minority groups across VYL; and

**15.12.3.5.** Advocate for improvements to state and federal government policy on areas of interest to People of Colour through VYL's policy platform.

**15.12.4.** *The VYL POC caucus must convene at least 3 times per year.*

**15.12.5.** *The VYL POC Officers shall convene all meetings of the VYL POC caucus by letter or email not later than 5 days prior to the meeting.*

**15.12.6.** *The VYL POC caucus will work in conjunction with the VYL POC Officers to implement the policy of VYL.*

**15.12.4.** *The VYL PoC Caucus shall be led by two (2) People of Colour Co-Convenors.*

**15.12.5.** *The primary responsibilities of the VYL People of Colour Co-Convenors are to:*

**15.12.5.1.** *Organise, maintain, and support a VYL PoC Caucus; and*

**15.12.5.2.** *Coordinate and ensure that the voices of People of Colour within VYL are being heard and supported; and*

~~15.12.5.3. Work collaboratively with the VYL Executive, Young Labor groups and the Victorian Multicultural Labor Network to achieve greater representation of People of Colour across VYL; and~~

~~15.12.5.4. With the support of the VYL Executive, plan and organise meetings and events of the PoC Caucus; and~~

~~15.12.5.5. Regularly report to the VYL Executive on their ideas, plans, progress and challenges so that they can be fully supported by the party in their activities.~~

~~15.12.6. The VYL PoC Co-Convenors of the PoC Caucus are to be elected at Young Labor Conference as per rule 15.6.1.3.~~

~~15.12.7. The People of Colour Co-Convenors must convene the VYL PoC caucus (whether that be through a meeting or an event) at least three (3) times a year.~~

~~15.12.8-15.12.7. The People of Colour Co-Convenors shall be non-voting members of the Victorian Young Labor Executive and the Victorian Multicultural Labor Network Executive for the life of their term. The Co-Convenors shall report back to the VYL executive on their work with the VMLN Executive at each VYL Executive meeting.~~

~~15.12.9. Only members of Victorian Young Labor who identify as a Person of Colour shall be able to nominate for the position and/or participate in the ballot for these positions.~~

~~15.12.10. To assist with the election process, the Returning Officers shall be provided with a list of VYL members who have self-identified as a Person of Colour or CALD on the Victorian Labor Membership Form. However, it is not a requirement for a VYL member to have identified as such in order to nominate for the position or participate in the ballot.~~

~~15.12.11. The Returning Officers shall keep a record of VYL members who have self-identified as a Person of Colour when participating in the voting/ballot process for record keeping purposes.~~

#### **SCHEDULE N – VICTORIAN MULTICULTURAL LABOR NETWORK ('VMLN')**

**3.1.** The Victorian Multicultural Labor Network shall by proportional representation elect nine (9) members who shall constitute the Executive and who shall appoint from amongst themselves two (2) Co-Convenors, a Secretary, an Assistant Secretary and such other officers as the Executive resolves. Two (2) Victorian Young Labor People of Colour Co-Convenors ~~(elected under rule 15.12)~~ shall be additional non-voting members of the executive.