

TEMA/TÍTULO: Constitución: Consentimiento a las Elecciones Episcopales
 PROPONENTE: Rvmo. Obispo Mark Hollingsworth Jr.
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- 1 *Se resuelve*, con la aprobación de la Cámara de _____ que la 76^a Convención General enmiende
 2 el Artículo II, Sección 2 de la Constitución de la Iglesia Episcopal de la siguiente manera:
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 4 **Sec. 2** Nadie será ordenado ni consagrado Obispo sin tener al menos treinta años de edad,
 5 ni sin el consentimiento de una mayoría de los Comités Permanentes de todas las
 6 Diócesis y el consentimiento de una mayoría de los Obispos con jurisdicción en esta
 7 Iglesia. ~~Sin embargo, si la elección hubiese tenido lugar dentro de los ciento veinte días~~
 8 ~~anteriores a la reunión de la Convención General, se requerirá el consentimiento de la~~
 9 ~~Cámara de Diputados en vez del consentimiento de la mayoría de los Comités~~
 10 ~~Permanentes.~~ Nadie será ordenado ni consagrado Obispo por menos de tres Obispos.

EXPLANATION:

The provision for consents to be sought through the House of Deputies for episcopal elections having taken place within one hundred twenty days of General Convention was reasonable and expedient in an era when communications were not as facile as today. In our time, Standing Committees are engaged in the consent process on an ongoing basis and develop consistent discernment practices whereby they respond to the dozen or so requests for consent they receive annually. General Convention deputies, because they answer such requests at only one time every three years, because their legislative committee responsibilities and other hearing commitments conflict with consent hearings during the General Convention, and because of the competing demands of legislation on their attention, do not have the luxury of a familiar process as do their colleagues on Standing Committees. As we continue to have higher numbers of episcopal elections each year, it would be good stewardship of leadership resources and would help the consent process to have it consistently carried out by those who exercise this responsibility on a regular basis. As well, it has been very beneficial in some recent episcopal elections to allow Standing Committees and their bishop colleagues to explore together the attendant issues when considering consent requests, something that is difficult to accomplish during the triennial conventions of The Episcopal Church.

BALLOT RESULTS:

Endorser(s): The Rt. Rev. Clifton Daniel III, The Rt. Rev. George E. Councill

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