Reference Committees Report Vote and Next Steps on Extractions

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MEMO TO:           Members of the MSMS House of Delegates

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RE:                Reference Committees Report Vote and Next Steps on Extractions

Delegates Voting Now on Reference Committees Report
Online voting on the Reference Committees Reports started on Friday, April 30 and will run through Sunday, May 16, 2021. Delegates are voting on any extractions and then to approve or disapprove the Reference Committees Report as a whole. The Reference Committees Report is available here. Instructions on how to vote can be found here. To confirm you are a delegate, please check the official House of Delegates roster here. If you have not yet had the opportunity to vote, please do so this weekend.

Extraction Forum and Voting
To better represent the process at the House, a second vote will take place on the extractions. Based on delegate feedback, the online forum will be re-opened for testimony on the extractions. Delegates, alternates, and Board members may access the online resolution forum at: https://msmshod.freeforums.net/

This is the same website that was previously used and has the same process for providing comments. Instructions can be located here. The online forum will be available from Friday, May 14 – Sunday, May 23, 2021. Voting on the extractions will run from Monday, May 24 – Sunday, June 6, 2021. Please note, these dates deviate from the original timeline to accommodate the extraction forum.

To date, the following resolutions have been extracted: 9-20; 44-20; 46-20; 54-20; 2-21; 3-21; 4-21; 11-21; 13-21; 15-21; 21-21; 24-21; 26-21; and 30-21. Any extractions submitted by Sunday, May 16, will be included in the forum. Resolutions on the Reaffirmation Calendar are not eligible for extraction as they are already existing policy.

Delegates will be asked to choose from the following options when voting for each extracted resolution:

- I vote to support the Reference Committee’s recommendation.
- I vote to table or delay action on this resolution until 2022.
A simple majority will be required to change the recommendation of the Reference Committee and table the resolution until 2022. The final report will be posted the week of June 6, 2021.

**Recording of the General Session**
The General Session on May 1, 2021, was recorded and is on the HOD website. The direct link is [https://vimeo.com/544612102/e5dd03b21f](https://vimeo.com/544612102/e5dd03b21f).

As always, if you have questions or need assistance, please contact Rebecca Blake at 517-336-5729. Thank you.

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