

Proponents assert their 2019 proposed bylaws reflect new input from this year's effort to actually engage Members in discussions, but this is really just "window dressing." Their proposed bylaws essentially re-state what was rejected by Co-op Members last year.

Our Bylaws do need updates and compliance with CA law, but this can be done without:

- fundamental governance shifts – vesting more authority in the Board, vs. Membership participation;
- eliminating bylaws mandate for Election Committee;
- adding two Board positions (filled initially as Board appointments, not elected);
- allowing an un-elected person to be appointed by the Board as Co-op President (and accountable to the Board, not the general Membership); and,
- allowing a way for the Board to incur huge debts without Membership approval.

Bylaws amendments should fix only what needs to be fixed, respect Member interests and our role in Co-op governance and respect the seven "Co-operative Principles." Vote NO on this proposal.

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