

FOR COMMENT PERIOD ENDING JUNE 24, 2022



**IFTA BALLOT PROPOSAL
01-2022**

Sponsor

IFTA, Inc. Board of Trustees

Date Submitted

May 10, 2022

Proposed Effective Date

Upon Passage

Manual Sections to be Amended

(January 1996 Version, Effective July 1, 1998, as revised)

Articles of Agreement

Section R1600

Subject

Voting

History/Digest

Throughout the history of the Ballot Process in IFTA, many ballots that may have been beneficial to the IFTA Community have failed. Not because they have not been supported, but because in many instances, jurisdictions have failed to vote. In the current language, if a jurisdiction fails to vote, it is considered a negative vote. After discussing this potential ballot during the most recent Quarterly Regional Board update, there was a general opinion that the membership would support this ballot. As a reminder, no other organization or general election considers a “non-vote” as a “no vote”.

Intent

The intent of this ballot is to prevent a non-vote from counting as a (no vote) and to remind jurisdictions of the important responsibility of voting, whether it be in favor or opposed. The Ballot Process has changed which makes it more imperative that the commissioners stay in tune with needed changes to the living documents within IFTA.

Interlining Indicates Deletion; Underlining Indicates Addition

1 ***R1600 AMENDMENT**

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3 ***[Sections R1605 through R1625 remain unchanged]***

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5 **R1630 ACCEPTANCE OF AMENDMENTS**

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7 **.100** Votes on amendments or interpretations must be cast by the commissioner or a delegate
8 named in writing by the commissioner.

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10 **.200** An affirmative vote in writing of three-fourths of the total **eligible** member jurisdictions **who**
11 **voted** is required to amend the Articles of Agreement, Procedures Manual, or Audit
12 Manual. For purposes of this section, a vote submitted electronically through a
13 mechanism provided by the International Fuel Tax Association, Inc. is deemed a vote
14 in writing.

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16 ~~**.300** Eligible member jurisdictions may abstain from voting, but a final ballot proposal may still~~
17 ~~not be adopted without the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the total member~~
18 ~~jurisdictions.~~

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20 ~~**.400** Eligible member jurisdictions that do not vote on an amendment within the required time~~
21 ~~limits are considered to have voted in the negative, except as provided in IFTA Articles~~
22 ~~of Agreement Section R1655.~~

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24 **R1635 EFFECTIVE DATE OF AMENDMENTS**

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26 The effective date of all amendments, unless otherwise specified, is the first day of
27 January or July, whichever occurs first, following the completion of 12 complete months
28 following the close of the voting period. An alternate effective date may be allowed if it
29 receives the support of three-fourths of the total eligible member jurisdictions **who voted**.
30 If an alternate effective date is requested, it must be voted separately from the
31 amendment. ~~Eligible jurisdictions that do not vote on an alternate effective date within~~
32 ~~the required time limits are considered to have voted in the negative.~~

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34 **R1640 WITHDRAWAL OF AMENDMENT PROPOSALS**

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36 An amendment proposal may be withdrawn by the sponsoring jurisdiction or committee at
37 any time during the amendment process.

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39 ***[Sections R1645 through R1660 remain unchanged]***