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The NMSRC Board of Directors periodically reviews governance documents as part of its general oversight of the society and to maintain congruence with the AARC By Laws. During latest review of the bylaws, the NMSRC Board of Directors identified and recommended several changes that better align with the overall strategic direction and objectives of the society. These changes were reviewed and approved by the NMSRC Board of Directors, the AARC By Laws Committee, the AARC Board of Directors & are now being presented for adoption by the membership. These bylaws will be open for review for a period of 30 days, starting August 21, 2019. Following this review period a vote for approval will be presented to the NMSRC membership.

The following summary is provided to help NMSRC members review the proposed changes to the bylaws. Please note that this summary is not exhaustive; stylistic edits that do not change the substance of the original bylaws text are not listed below.

- Article I: added language consistent with current state law with respect to non-profit corporations.
- Article III: added language in Section 2 that NMSRC members must remain AARC members in good standing. Ethics conduct expectation for NMSRC members are added in Section 5.
- Article IV: Added succession plans for vacancies in the positions of Directors of the NMSRC.
- Article V: Limited Delegates to 2 consecutive election cycles terms of office in Section 1. Changes were also made in Section 1 to add the Senior Delegate to the Executive Committee. Section 2 changes include adding the Junior Delegate as a voting member of the NMSRC Board of Directors.
- Article V, Section 2: the Regions (counties) of each region were clarified to reflect all counties in the state.
- Article VII: Added to reflect the composition, purpose, duties, elections of and vacancies in the Delegates of the NMSRC to the AARC House of Delegates.
- Article VIII: Addresses the Committees of the NMSRC and the Chair positions of each standing committee.

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