

Subject: The Constitution - Eligibility of Clergy

Moved By: Ronald Stevenson (Chancellor)

Seconded By: Bishop Fred Hiltz from the Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island

Note: The mover and the seconder must be members of the General Synod and be present in the House when the resolution is before the synod for debate.

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Constitution of the General Synod be amended as follows:

1. by amending section 8 c) to read:

c) The Order of Clergy shall consist of clerical members of The Anglican Church of Canada or of a church in full communion with the Anglican Church of Canada elected by the several diocesan synods according to such rules as they may adopt, subject to the provisions of subsection f). In a diocese that has no synodical organization such appointments shall be made by the bishop; and

2. by amending subsection 8 f) vi) to read:

vi) the words “licensed members of the clergy”, as used in this section and elsewhere in the Constitution shall mean all clerical members of The Anglican Church of Canada or of a church in full communion with the Anglican Church of Canada holding the license of the bishop of a diocese to perform the functions of the ordained ministry within the diocese, excepting and excluding those who are resident in the diocese but are on leave from another diocese, and those who are in receipt of benefits from the pension funds of the Church (other than for temporary disability) and who are not in charge of a parish or fully engaged in the work of the ordained ministry.

EXPLANATORY NOTE/BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

This motion proposes complementary amendments to the Constitution required if the Synod passes resolution A020 to amend the Declaration of Principles respecting Eligibility of Clergy.

Source :The Council of General Synod
(name of committee, diocese, etc.)

Submitted by: The General Secretary

A) **Does this motion contain within it any financial implications?**

Yes

No

B) **If yes, has the General Synod Expenditures Committee considered the implications?**

Yes

No