SOUTHEAST Medical Assistants CHAPTER

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TO: Christine Petsalis, CMA
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FROM: Southeast Chapter

RE: Proposed Bylaw Amendment #1

The Southeast Chapter of Medical Assistants wishes to propose the following Amendment to the Bylaws of the FSMA.

OLD

ARTICLE VII GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Section 2: All members in good standing to include membership classes of Active, Life, Sustaining, Associate, Student and Member at Large whose dues have been paid in full as of December 31 of the year preceding the General Assembly shall make up the composition of the General Assembly and have the right to vote.

NEW

ARTICLE VII GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Section 2: All members in good standing to include membership classes of Active, Life, Sustaining, Associate, Student CMA's (AAMA) and Member at Large whose dues have been paid in full as of December 31 of the year preceding the General Assembly shall make up the composition of the General Assembly and have the right to vote.

Rationale: Student members can retain their student membership after they have become CMA's, these students have shown their commitment to their profession and should be the student members who have the ability vote on proposed bylaw changes and officers of the FSMA.