

## **Amendment 2. To: Article III, Section 1**

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*Amend the second paragraph to include the underlined sentence:*

**The biennial organizational County Central Committee meeting** shall take place in the odd numbered years at a time set by the County Central Committee between March 1 and April 1. Members of the County Central Committee assembled shall forthwith elect a Chair, a Vice-Chair, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and such other officers as they may deem necessary. Such officers need not be selected from the County Central Committee membership; however, they shall be qualified voting members of the Iowa Democratic Party. The term of office for each officer shall begin immediately upon election by the County Central Committee, and shall continue for two years, and until the successor is elected and qualified; unless he or she is sooner removed by the County Central Committee for non-residency, inattention to duty, incompetence, or support of a candidate for public office who is running against a candidate nominated by the Iowa Democratic Party. Should an officer of the County Central Committee be elected to the State Central Committee, relinquish their roles as officer of the County Central Committee of their respective county. Vacancies on the Committee shall be filled as soon as possible from alternate precinct committee persons as per **Article II, Section 3, Subsection b** following majority vote of the County Central Committee attending any official committee meeting provided that due notice of such election was previously given.

**Rationale:** The purpose of this change is to eliminate dual office holding in the Iowa Democratic Party State Central Committee and the various County Central Committees in the State of Iowa. The primary purpose of this is to motivate the IDP and the various County Parties to actively participate in party building, a necessary aspect of maintaining a viable Iowa Democrat Party. A secondary benefit is to acknowledge the amount of effort and time required to maintain a viable Iowa Democratic Party by Democrats that volunteer to fill various roles in the party. For too long, too few people have shouldered the burden of maintaining the party. This Amendment would motivate the people that have held multiple offices at one time to educate and train others to fill their roles.