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2 **SUBJECT: Return to the Majority Opinion System (MOS) for Regional and National Shows**

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4 *(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)*

Committee Action:
Approve Disapprove

Committees required to review:			
Canadian National Show Commission			
Competitions Advisory Committee			
Judges & Stewards Steering Committee			
NEOPS			
Professional Horsemen Committee			
U.S. National Show Commission			
Youth National Show Commission			

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7 **CONVENTION ACTION:**

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9 _____ Approved _____ Approved with Modification _____ Disapproved
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11 _____ Withdrawn _____ Referred to Committee _____
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13 **RESOLUTION:**
14 (Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)

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16 Whereas, In the opinion of the proponent, all multiple judge scoring systems become hard to understand in the case
17 of multi-way ties, and

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19 Whereas, The recently implemented “Three Judge Scoring System” gives the number one judge an extreme amount
20 of power to “make or break” an entry, and

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22 Whereas, In the opinion of the proponent the MOS scoring system is the fairest and easiest to understand of the
23 multi-judged systems and is also one of the easiest to implement in case of computer failure, and

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25 Whereas, AHA Resolution #23-06 replaced the Majority Opinion System (MOS) with the Three Judge System;
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28 Resolved, That AHA Resolution #23-06 be rescinded, and that AHA Articles 1316.1, 1316.2, 1316.3 and 1316.4 shall
29 be deleted and replaced with the following provisions as written in the 2006 AHA Handbook:

30 For National Shows:

**ARTICLE 1316. MAJORITY OPINION SYSTEM (MOS) AND HIGH/LOW
ELIMINATION SCORING SYSTEMS**

MAJORITY OPINION SYSTEM (Res. 45-00)

- 34 1. All National Championship Shows are required to use the AHA approved Majority Opinion System (MOS) (Res.
35 45-00) Scoring System in all applicable classes. (Refer to Article 1130.)
- 36 2. Working Hunter, Hunter Hack, Jumper, Hunter Seat Equitation Over Obstacles, Hunter Seat Equitation Not to
37 Jump, Dressage, Reining Horse, Cutting, Working Cow, Trail, and Sport Horse (BOD 11/01) classes are exempt
38 from using Majority Opinion System (MOS) (Res. 45-00) (BOD 5/02)
- 39 3. AHA shall train and supply to the National Shows, technicians proficient in the use of the Majority Opinion
40 System (MOS) (Res. 45-00) to score the shows.

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42 For Regional Shows refer to Article 1221 of the 2006 AHA Handbook:

**ARTICLE 1221. MAJORITY OPINION SYSTEM (MOS)
SCORING SYSTEM (Res. 45-00).**

- 43 1 All Regional Championship Shows, Pacific Slopes Championships and East Coast Championships are required to
44 use the AHA Approved Majority Opinion System (MOS) (Res. 45-00) Scoring System in all applicable classes.
45 (Refer to Article 1130.)

- 48 2. Working Hunter, Hunter Hack Jumper, Hunter Seat Equitation Over Obstacles, Hunter Seat Equitation Not to
- 49 Jump, Dressage, Reining Horse, Cutting, Working Cow, Trail and Sport Horse classes are exempt from using
- 50 Majority Opinion System (MOS) scoring. (Res. 45-00) (BOD 5/02)
- 51 3. With the exception of Article 1221.2., all other Regional Championship classes, Pacific Slopes Championship
- 52 classes and East Coast Championship classes must use three judges (Res.45-00).
- 53 4. AHA shall train and supply to the Regional Shows, technicians proficient in the use of the Majority Opinion
- 54 System (MOS) (Res. 45-00) to score the shows.
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56 Effective: January 1, 2008

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58 PROPONENT'S FINANCIAL IMPACT: none

59 (Refer to Article 901.2.e. for financial requirements.)

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61 AHA IMPACT STATEMENT:

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64 SUBMITTED BY:

65 Name: Region 4 Region: 4

66 Member Organization Committee Commission Board Region (check one)

67 Who voted: Members Board Delegates (check voting body)

68 Total Number Eligible to Vote: 17 Number of Yes votes: 11 Number of No votes: 0

69 How vote was taken: mail email phone meeting (check one) (Must have Quorum with majority of yes votes)

70 Where documentation of this vote is recorded: Printed email responses (Must have printed documentation on file)

71 Date vote taken: August, 2007

72 Contact Person: Peggy Weems (Has authority to amend, combine or withdraw)

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