



PROPOSED LEGISLATION FORM

Date: _____

Person submitting Bill: _____ 2010 Southern California Lay Convention

District: _____ 5th Conference: _____ Southern California

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- 1. Check the appropriate response. ___ Prior Bill; X Newly Proposed Legislation
2. Check all that apply. This bill has been reviewed, discussed and is supported at the following levels:

Table with 4 columns: Local Church Lay Organization, District of the Annual Conference Lay Organization, Conference Lay Organization, Episcopal District Lay Organization

3. Complete the following

Table with 2 columns: Field (BILL NO., TITLE, REFERENCE, INTENT, RATIONALE) and Content (Leave Blank, Ministerial Training Board Composition, Part V, The Ministry, Section III, Ministerial Education - Conference Course of Study, B Ministerial Training Board (Committee on Instruction), The Doctrine and Discipline of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, 2012, Page 86. To amend the composition of the Ministerial Training Board to include lay instructors. i) Under the current composition listed in the Doctrine and Discipline, there is no requirement that the members of the Training Board be ordained like the Board of Examiners. The Course of Instruction includes classes in which credentialed laity can teach. The AME church should promote clergy and laity collaborating in the training of our ordained servants.

- 4. Existing Legislation now reads: (Quote applicable portion of current legislation; Include rationale for the change.) If more space is needed, please continue on a separate page identified as “No. 4 continued”.**

Current Text:

The presiding bishop shall appoint the Dean of Ministerial Training of the conference. The dean, in turn, shall nominate the staff (committees) which shall be confirmed by the Annual Conference.

- 5. Proposed NEW wording (by article, section, and subsection). If more space is needed, continue on a separate page identified as “No. 5 continued”.**

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Cost: FINANCIAL IMPACT:

This proposed legislation will have no financial impact on the General Budget.