

**Act 222**  
**Public Acts of 2008**  
**State of Michigan**  
**Effective July 16, 2008**

Based on verbal comments by the Corporation Division, following is what all member societies who have a 501.c.3 designation as a Non-Profit Corporation must ensure.

Constitution/By-Laws for 501.c.3 "Non-Profit Organization" in addition to the officers (i.e., Pres, VP, Treasurer) there is a requirement to have **AT LEAST THREE DIRECTORS (OR TRUSTEES)**. (There is a distinct difference between Officers and Directors/Trustees) Any society, whose By-Laws show only two trustees or directors, **MUST AMEND THEIR BY-LAWS TO SHOW A REQUIREMENT FOR THREE DIRECTORS/TRUSTEES, AND ELECT THE ADDITIONAL DIRECTOR/TRUSTEE BY 16 JANUARY 2009.**

The Letter of Instructions I received only requires that each non-profit group have a requirement for at least Three Directors or Trustees and someone elected to fill the third position. The letter says we must have a requirement for three, and those positions must be filled. It does not require that a copy of amended by-laws be sent in.

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