**Conference for Food Protection**

**2018 Issue Form**

**Issue: 2018 II-028**

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| **Council Recommendation:** | Accepted as  Submitted |  | Accepted as Amended |  | No Action |  |
| **Delegate Action:** | Accepted |  | Rejected |  |  |  |

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**Issue History:**

This is a brand new Issue.

**Title:**

CBP 5 - Amend CFP Constitution and Bylaws, Membership

**Issue you would like the Conference to consider:**

An amendment to Article III, Section 5, Subsection 1 of the Conference for Food Protection Constitution and Bylaws to add "Regulatory Support" as a membership constituency.

**Public Health Significance:**

The Conference for Food Protection was created to provide a formal process whereby members of industry, regulatory, academia, consumer and professional organizations are afforded equal input in the development and/or modification of Food Safety Guidance. Such guidance is incorporated into food safety laws and regulations at all levels of government throughout the United States. In recent years, the Conference has benefited from the membership of individuals who represent businesses, professional organizations, and non-business entities that provide direct or support services to regulatory agencies. These members have volunteered for service on Councils and Committees, but often self-designated as either consumers or regulators. During the Council and Committee formation process, the Executive Board determined that these individuals cannot be classified as consumers or any of the existing regulatory constituency categories listed in Article III, Section 5, Subsection 1 of the Constitution and Bylaws. The proposed amendment will help to ensure that this stakeholder constituency has a voice in the food safety standards development process.

**Recommended Solution: The Conference recommends...:**

an amendment to Article III, Section 5, Subsection 1 of the Constitution and Bylaws to add clarifying language and a new paragraph as follows (new language is underlined):

***Subsection 1.*** Regulatory is comprised of those officers, agents or authorized representatives having authority over the regulation of food establishments, production, processing, vending, or distribution, or has oversight for prevention of foodborne illness in accordance with rule and/or law in their respective governmental jurisdiction, or that provide direct or support services to regulatory agencies. Sub-categories of this constituency include:

(no change to paragraphs a through d)

e. Regulatory Support = Employees, agents or executives representing businesses, professional organizations, or non-business entities that provide direct or support services to local, state, district, territorial and/or federal regulatory agencies.

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