

Floor Committee 21: Ad Hoc Commission 2

Subject: Topic 11 - Protection/recovery of synodical support provided to congregations that elect to close or to leave the synod.

Reference: Book of Reports and Memorials, p. 194

Resolution No. 8

WHEREAS the Ad Hoc Commission 2 (AHC2) believes it is a matter of prudent stewardship for options to be explored regarding how and to what degree changes can be made to current practices and procedures so as to enhance the ability of and the likelihood that the synod can recover some portion of the support that it provides to congregations, which after receiving such support, then elect either to leave the synod or to close; therefore be it

Resolved, that the synod in convention supports the recommendation that both the Board for Home Missions and the Church Extension Fund should examine their respective practices and procedures, and specifically the terms and conditions under which each organization provides subsidies, grants, loans, and/or other support to congregations to see if changes can be made to such so as to enhance the ability of the synod to recover some portion of the subsidies, grants, loans, and/or other support provided in the event that a congregation that has been the beneficiary of the subsidies, grants, loans, and/or other support elects to leave the synod or closes.

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