

**Authorizing An Additional Six Month Extension For Reporting To
The Ulster County Legislature The Findings Of The Solid Waste
Management Improvement Commission**

Referred to: The Energy and Environment Committee (Chairman R. Parete and Legislators Bartels, Heppner, Lapp and Wawro)

Legislator Tracey A. Bartels offers the following:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 394, dated November 18, 2014, the Ulster County Legislature established the Solid Waste Management Improvement Commission to comprehensively review the technologies, grant funding and host benefits available to newly established solid waste disposal facilities; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 394 of 2014, the Solid Waste Management Improvement Commission was to provide a written report of its findings and recommendations to the Ulster County Legislature and the County Executive within one (1) year of its initial meeting, effectively March 2, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 89 of 2016 authorized the Commission a sixty (60) day extension to May 1, 2016 to report its findings to the Ulster County Legislature and the Ulster County Executive; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 171 of 2016, three vacancies on the Commission were filled due to the change in leadership of the Ulster County Legislature, the City of Kingston, and the Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 252 of 2016 authorized the Commission an additional ninety (90) day extension to August 1, 2016 to report its findings in order to accommodate additional facility visits for new members, as well as time to complete the Commission's final report; and

WHEREAS, a through vetting of final recommendations was proven to be an extensive undertaking resulting in the adoption of Resolution No. 356 of 2016, authorizing the Commission an additional ninety (90) day extension to October 31, 2016 to report findings; and

WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Management Improvement Commissioners have been actively completing the written report, with individual, volunteer Commissioners drafting and editing the various report sections; and

