

# Proposed Local Law Number 6 Of 2022

## County of Ulster

### **A Local Law Amending Section C-101 B. Of The Ulster County Charter, Section A30-2 B. Of The Ulster County Administrative Code, And Section 216-5 Of The Code Of The County Of Ulster In Relation To Appointments To The Commission Of Human Rights**

**BE IT ENACTED**, by the Legislature of the County of Ulster, as follows:

#### **SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE INTENT.**

The Ulster County Human Rights Commission has recommended the Legislature adopt a change to the appointment process for members of the Commission of Human Rights to assist the Commission in conducting its business in the most effective and fair manner for the people of Ulster County.

#### **SECTION 2.**

Sections C-101 B. of the Ulster County Charter, A30-2 B. of the Ulster County Administrative Code, and Section 216-5 of the Code of the County of Ulster shall be amended as follows:

“The Commission of Human Rights shall have 11 members appointed to terms of three years, three members of which shall be appointed by the legislative Chairperson, three members by the legislative minority leader, and five members by the County Executive, one of which shall be designated by him or her as the Commission Chairperson. Appointments shall be representative of the various religious, racial, ethnic and nationality groups in Ulster County's communities. No member of the Commission of Human Rights shall serve more than four consecutive terms of three years. **All vacancies on the Commission shall be filled by the relevant appointing authority within ~~60~~ 90 days of the occurrence of said vacancy.” **If the Chair of the Legislature fails to make any of his/her/their appointments, then the legislative minority leader shall make them, and vice versa. If the Executive fails to make any of his/her/their appointments, then the vacancies shall be filled by the Legislature.****

#### **SECTION 3. MANDATORY REFERENDUM QUESTION.**

**The question that shall be submitted to the voters is as follows:**

**Proposed Local Law Number 6 Of 2022**

**County of Ulster**

**A Local Law Amending Section C-101 B. Of The Ulster County Charter, Section A30-2 B. Of The Ulster County Administrative Code, And Section 216-5 Of The Code Of The County Of Ulster In Relation To Appointments To The Commission Of Human Rights**

**Shall Sections C-101 B. of the Ulster County Charter, A30-2 B. of the Ulster County Administrative Code, and Section 216-5 of the Code of the County of Ulster be amended in part as follows?**

**“All vacancies on the Commission shall be filled by the relevant appointing authority within 90 days of the occurrence of said vacancy. If the Chair of the Legislature fails to make any of his/her/their appointments, then the legislative minority leader shall make them, and vice versa. If the Executive fails to make any of his/her/their appointments, then the vacancies shall be filled by the Legislature.”**

**SECTION 3-4. SEVERABILITY.**

In the event that any portion of this local law is found to be invalid, such finding will not have any effect on either the remaining portions or applications of this local law or any provisions of the Ulster County Charter, the Ulster County Administrative Code or the Code of the County of Ulster, which shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 4-5. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This Local Law shall take effect upon filing with the Secretary of State.