

Requesting The Formation Of A Committee To Study The Creation Of An Ulster County Economic Development Department

Legislators Bartels, Berardi, Dart, Donaldson, Feldmann, Kraft, Hyatt, Loughran, Lomita, R.A. Parete, R.S. Parete, Provenzano, Rodriguez, Shapiro, Stoeckeler and Zimet offer the following:

WHEREAS, a recent Ulster County Development Corporation study indicated that the Ulster County government has shown a lack of leadership in regard to economic development, and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature has allocated \$260,000 in the past budget to the Ulster County Development Corporation for the purpose of spurring economic development, and

WHEREAS, it is the duty of the Ulster County Legislature to create accountability for all expenditures, and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature is interested in getting the most from its expenditures for economic development, and

WHEREAS, an examination of the County's economic development efforts may bring about a more effective economic development structure, and

WHEREAS, the Economic Development/Education, Tourism and Cultural Affairs Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval.

RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Legislature create a special committee of the Legislature to study the present structure of economic development as compared to other counties and municipalities, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the said committee will examine the feasibility cost and benefits of the creation of an Economic Development Department and/or the merging of the Ulster County Development Corporation with, but not limited to, the Planning Department, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that said committee will consist of three members from the majority and three members from the minority as chosen by their respective leadership, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that said committee will report their findings and recommendations to the legislature within the calendar year of 2005,

and moves its adoption.

Resolution No. 145 April 14, 2005

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ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:

NOES:

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
UNKNOWN

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