

In Support Of New York State Assembly Bill No. A9919 And New York State Senate Bill No. S7338 Authorizes County Clerks To Retain A Portion Of Fees Collected For Motor Vehicle Related Services Through The New York State DMV Website Or The Utica Processing Center

The Budget and Finance Committee (Chairman Gerentine and Legislators Bernardo, Frey, Hansut, Harris, Maio, Maloney, Gregorius, Lomita, Provenzano and Sheeley) and Co-Sponsors: The Governmental Services, Environmental and Administrative Committee (Chairman Roberts and Legislators Belfiglio, Fabiano, Petit, Ronk, Richard Parete, Robert Parete, Rodriguez and Shapiro) offer the following:

WHEREAS, the New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law places the responsibility of operating Department of Motor Vehicle offices to 51 counties across New York State through their respective County Clerks, and

WHEREAS, acting as an “agent” of the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles, our County taxpayers bear the cost of running local Department of Motor Vehicle operations, and

WHEREAS, County Clerks’ current share of certain transaction fees is 12.7%, available only if a customer appears in person, and

WHEREAS, numerous transactions the County Clerks’ Offices are required to perform are time consuming, labor intensive and New York State does not allow the County any fee, and

WHEREAS, the County Clerks are often competing with the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles for limited business in order to sustain their operations, and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles has advised the New York State Association of County Clerks that 35 on-line transactions are currently available for customers via the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles website (www.nydmv.state.ny.us) and more on-line transactions can be expected in the near future leaving the County with even fewer revenue sharing opportunities, and

WHEREAS, New York State Assembly Bill No. A9919 and New York State Senate Bill No. S7338 would amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to allowing County Clerks to retain fees collected for motor vehicle related services through a department of motor vehicles’ website or processing center, now, therefore be it

Resolution No. 151 May 18, 2010

In Support Of New York State Assembly Bill No. A9919 And New York State Senate Bill No. S7338 Authorizes County Clerks To Retain A Portion Of Fees Collected For Motor Vehicle Related Services Through The New York State DMV Website Or The Utica Processing Center

RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Legislature supports New York State Assembly Bill No. A9919 and New York State Senate Bill No. S7338, allowing County Clerks who operate DMV offices to retain a share of fees collected from County residents for motor vehicle transactions completed through the New York State DMV website, and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature shall forward copies of this resolution to Governor David Paterson, Senate Majority Leader Pedro Espada Jr., Senate Minority Leader Dean G. Skelos, Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver, Assembly Majority Leader Ron Canestrari, Assembly Minority Leader Brian M. Kolb, New York State Senators John J. Bonacic and William J. Larkin, Jr., New York State Assemblymen Kevin A. Cahill, Clifford W. Crouch, Peter Lopez and Frank K. Skartados and the New York State Association of Counties,

and move its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 31 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislators Sheeley and Stoeckeler)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
RETAIN COUNTY REVENUE DOLLARS

0533

Resolution No. 151 May 18, 2010

In Support Of New York State Assembly Bill No. A9919 And New York State Senate Bill No. S7338 Authorizes County Clerks To Retain A Portion Of Fees Collected For Motor Vehicle Related Services Through The New York State DMV Website Or The Utica Processing Center

STATE OF NEW YORK

ss:

COUNTY OF ULSTER

This is to certify that I, the undersigned Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Ulster have compared the foregoing resolution with the original resolution now on file in the office of said clerk, and which was adopted by said Legislature on the 18th day of May, 2010, and that the same is a true and correct transcript of said resolution and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the County of Ulster this 20th Day of May in the year Two Thousand and Ten.

/s/ Karen L. Binder
Karen L. Binder, Clerk
Ulster County Legislature