

In Support Of New York State Assembly Bill No. A2281 And New York State Senate Bill No. S2494 Authorizing The New York State Legislature To Require A State Or Municipal Entity To Enact A Period Of Residency Requirement For Persons Applying For Certain Social Services

Legislators Madsen and Ronk offer the following:

WHEREAS, it is well documented that State-mandated public assistance programs have become a hot-button issue, and

WHEREAS, the 2011 – 2012 State Budget cuts impose an increase to the burden on counties for certain Social Services programs, and

WHEREAS, a concurrent resolution, New York State Assembly Bill No. A2281 and New York State Senate Bill No. S2494 authorizing the New York State Legislature to require a state or municipal entity to enact a period of residency requirement for persons applying for certain social services, and

WHEREAS, New York State Assembly Bill No. A2281 and New York State Senate Bill No. S2494 proposes an amendment to article 17 of the constitution, in relation to a residency period prior to receipt of certain social services:

Section 1. Resolved (if the Senate concur), That article 17 of the constitution be amended by adding a new section 8 to read as follows:

S 8. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS CONSTITUTION, THE LEGISLATURE MAY DIRECT THE STATE, A MUNICIPALITY OR OTHER ENTITY ACTING AS AN INSTRUMENTALITY OF THE SATE OR A MUNICIPALITY, TO REQUIRE A SPECIFIC PERIOD OF RESIDENCY WITHIN THE STATE AS A PREREQUISITE TO ANY PERSON SEEKING THE PROVISION OF SUCH SERVICES SET FORTH IN THIS ARTICLE.

S 2. Resolved (if the Senate concur), That the foregoing amendment be referred to the first regular legislative session convening after the next succeeding general election of members of the assembly, and, in conformity with section 1 of article 19 of the constitution, be published for 3 months previous to the time of such election, and

WHEREAS, the proposed legislation would provide important relief to the people of Ulster County, now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Legislature supports the concurrent resolution, New York State Assembly Bill No. A2281 and New York State Senate Bill No. S2494, authorizing the New York State Legislature to require a state or municipal entity to enact a period of residency requirement for persons applying for certain social services, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature shall forward copies of this resolution to Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, Senate Majority Leader Dean G. Skelos, Senate Minority Leader John L. Sampson, 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, Thomas Kirwan and Peter Lopez and the New York State Association of Counties,

and move its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 29 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislators Frey, Gerentine, Petit and Stoeckeler)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
NONE

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STATE OF NEW YORK

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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 20th day of September, 2011, 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 21st Day of September in the year Two Thousand and Eleven.

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