

**Amending The Date For Completion Of Special Jail Committee's Investigation And Rendering Of Its Report To The Legislature To September 17, 2007**

The Ways and Means Committee (Chairman Lomita and Legislators Bartels, Berardi, Gregorius, Provenzano, Zimet, Cummings, Gerentine and Noonan) and the Special Committee to Investigate the Pre-Planning, Planning and Construction of the Ulster County Law Enforcement Center (Chairperson Bartels and Legislators Kraft, R.A. Parete, Aiello, Felicello) offer the following:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 67 dated February 22, 2007, the Ulster County Legislature created a Special Committee to Investigate Matters Regarding the Pre-Planning, Planning and Construction of the Ulster County Law Enforcement Center and all matters related thereto (hereinafter referred to as the "Special Committee"), and

WHEREAS, said resolution required the Special Committee to report back to the County Legislature within sixty days (i.e. by April 23, 2007) with a detailed plan setting forth the scope of the investigation, the procedures to be employed therein and a detailed cost analysis and budget, and

WHEREAS, said resolution further provided that the Special Committee would not be vested with any of the powers or authority to proceed with the actual investigation until such time as the County Legislature (a) had approved the scope of the investigation and the procedures to be employed in the investigation, (b) approved a budget for the investigation and (c) appropriated funds for the investigation, and

WHEREAS, on April 11, 2007, the County Legislature by Resolution No. 151 granted the Special Committee a thirty day extension (i.e. until May 23, 2007) to submit the detailed plan required by Resolution No. 67, and

WHEREAS, on May 22, 2007 the County Legislature, by Resolution No. 199, approved the detailed plan (denominated the Statement of the Investigative Scope and Procedures) and approved a budget in the "not to exceed sum" of \$90,200.00, and

WHEREAS, the County Legislature by said resolution further directed the Special Committee to proceed with the investigation with all deliberate speed and to complete its investigation and render its report to the Legislature by August 31, 2007 (unless extended by further resolution of the Legislature), and

WHEREAS, it was the intent of the Legislature to give the Special Committee a period of sixteen weeks to conduct its investigation and render its report, and

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WHEREAS, the date of August 31, 2007 fixed by Resolution No. 199 was calculated from the date the Special Committee was to have originally filed its detailed plan (April 23, 2007) and did not take into account the thirty day extension granted by the County Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature gave its final authorization on May 22, 2007, and

WHEREAS, the approved special consultant was contracted for sixteen weeks of work beginning May 26, 2007, and

WHEREAS, sixteen weeks from the May 26, 2007 date is September 17, 2007, and

WHEREAS, the Ways and Means Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval, and

WHEREAS, the Special Committee to Investigate the Pre-Planning, Planning and Construction of the Ulster County Law Enforcement Center has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval.

RESOLVED, that the next to the last "RESOLVED" paragraph of Resolution No. 199 is hereby amended to provide that the date for the completion of the Special Committee's investigation and the rendering of its report to the County Legislature shall be on or before September 17, 2007,

and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 30                      NOES: 0  
(Absent: Legislators Alfonso, Bischoff and Felicello)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:  
NONE