

Resolution Memorializing The Support Of The Ulster County Legislature As To New York State Senate Bill No. S7755 And Assembly Bill No. A11840 (Proposed Amendment To Alcoholic Beverage Control Law Adding Section 117-b) In Relation To Prohibiting The Sale, Purchase Or Use Of Alcohol Vaporizing Devices

The Government Efficiency and Reform Committee (Chairman Noonan and Legislators Busick, Harris, Maloney, Lomita, and Robert Parete) and the Criminal Justice / Public Safety / STOP DWI Committee (Chairman Meyer and Legislators Aiello, DePew, Every, Dart, Feldmann and Hyatt) offer the following:

WHEREAS, there is now pending before the New York State Legislature Bill Nos. S7755 and A11840 which seeks to amend New York State Alcoholic Beverage Control Law to add Section 117-b to prohibit the sale, purchase or use of alcohol vaporizing devices, and

WHEREAS, alcohol beverage devices mix alcohol products with pure oxygen and other gases to produce a vaporized product for consumption by inhalation which allows alcohol to be directed into the bloodstream through the lungs, and

WHEREAS, alcohol vaporizing devices are being marketed on the internet as a hangover free, calorie-free and carb-free way to enjoy alcohol and be purchased over the internet without any age verification, and

WHEREAS, there is a great concern that such devices will attract our youth to the use of alcohol in bars, nightclubs and private parties with little or no regard to the risks involved in alcohol abuse and to health and safety effects it will have on them, and

WHEREAS, the Government Efficiency and Reform Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval, and

WHEREAS, the Criminal Justice/Public Safety/STOP DWI Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval.

RESOLVED, that this Legislature supports New York State Bill Numbers S7755 and A11840 and wishes to express its support to Governor George E. Pataki and to the New York State Legislature, and

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FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature shall forward copies of this resolution to Governor George E. Pataki, Comptroller Alan Hevesi, Senate Majority Leader Joseph Bruno, Senate Minority Leader David A. Paterson, Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver, Assembly Minority Leader Charles Nesbitt, New York State Senators John J. Bonacic and William J. Larkin, Jr., New York State Assemblymen Kevin Cahill, Clifford Crouch, Daniel Hooker and Thomas Kirwan, and the New York State Association of Counties,

and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:

NOES:

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
NONE

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REFERRED BACK TO COMMITTEE