

Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Amendment To An Agreement With The New York State Office Of Indigent Legal Services For The Second Statewide Expansion Of Hurrell-Harring – Public Defender's Office And Assigned Counsel Administration

Referred to: The Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee (Chairwoman Hansut and Legislators Clinton, Hewitt, Levine, Maloney, McCollough and Walls), and The Ways and Means Committee (Chairman Gavaris and Legislators Collins, Hansut, Kovacs, Nolan, Roberts, and Uchitelle)

Chairwoman of the Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee, Gina Hansut, and Deputy Chair Chris Hewitt offer the following:

WHEREAS, this resolution has been submitted at the request of the County Executive on behalf of the Public Defender's Office and the Assigned Counsel Administration; and

WHEREAS, the Public Defender and the Assigned Counsel Administrator have requested that the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature be authorized to execute an amendment to the New York State Contract #CSTWIDE248 (the "Agreement") with the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services for the purpose of accepting additional funding; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Indigent Legal Services Fund is to improve the quality of mandated indigent legal representation and to reduce excessive caseloads in indigent legal service provider programs; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature is hereby authorized to execute the amendment to the Agreement with the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services, for the period beginning April 1, 2024 and ending March 31, 2027, in the form as filed with the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature, or as modified with the approval of the County Attorney,

and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 18 NOES: 0

(Absent: Legislators Donaldson, Kitchen, Litts, Maloney, and Roberts)

Resolution No. 589 December 16, 2025

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Passed Committee: Law Enforcement and Public Safety on December 3, 2025

Passed Committee: Ways and Means on December 11, 2025

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

\$266,068.00 – BUDGETED 2026 REVENUE DOLLARS

\$377,237.00 – ANTICIPATED 2027 REVENUE DOLLARS

STATE OF NEW YORK

ss:

COUNTY OF ULMSTER

I, the undersigned Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Ulster, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is the original resolution adopted by the Ulster County Legislature on the 16th Day of December in the year Two Thousand Twenty-Five, and said resolution shall remain on file in the office of said clerk.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the County of Ulster this 19th Day of December in the year Two Thousand Twenty-Five.

[s] Victoria A. Fabella
Victoria A. Fabella, Clerk
Ulster County Legislature

Submitted to the County Executive this
19th Day of December 2025.

Approved by the County Executive this
26th Day of December 2025.

[s] Victoria A. Fabella
Victoria A. Fabella, Clerk
Ulster County Legislature

[s] Jen Metzger
Jen Metzger, County Executive