

**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:

NOES:

**Resolution No. 589      December 16, 2025**

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Passed Committee: Law Enforcement and Public Safety on \_\_\_\_\_.

Passed Committee: Ways and Means on \_\_\_\_\_.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

**\$266,068.00 – BUDGETED 2026 REVENUE DOLLARS**

**\$377,237.00 – ANTICIPATED 2027 REVENUE DOLLARS**