

**Amending The Rules Of Order To Set Procedure For Memorializing Resolutions**

Referred to: The Laws and Rules, Governmental Services Committee (Chairman Roberts and Legislators Belfiglio, Donaldson, R. Parete and Rodriguez)

Legislator Richard A. Parete offers the following:

WHEREAS, Monthly Legislative Session is conducted to consider and act on legislation that has a direct and significant impact on our County; and

WHEREAS, the Monthly Legislative Session agendas are often lengthy and contain required business that often generates meaningful debate that involves substantial time; and

WHEREAS, Memorializing Resolutions can take an extraordinary amount of time to debate on the floor; and

WHEREAS, there are other methods of addressing issues of a memorializing nature that can have the same, if not stronger effect, as a Regular Resolution; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Ulster County Legislature to amend Rule 3 of the Rules of Order of the Ulster County Legislature to set procedure for memorializing resolutions, adding C (c); now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Rule 3. Resolutions, Local Laws, Rules For Procedure for Presentation and Consideration, Section C. Procedure for the submission and consideration of Resolutions in Committee, is hereby amended to include an additional subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c). Memorializing Resolutions. Any resolution which memorializes the New York State Legislature, Congress of the United States, or any other body to take an action which will not require a home rule message, shall be submitted and considered in Committee in accordance with the procedures set forth in these Rules of Order. When presented for consideration at a Monthly or Special Meeting of the Legislature, Memorializing Resolutions shall not be debatable. Memorializing Resolutions shall, however, be amendable, may be referred to a Standing Committee of the Legislature, or may be withdrawn prior to a vote by the Legislative body.

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Rule 2, entitled "AMENDMENT OF RULES," of the Rules of Order of the Ulster County Legislature, this resolution and the amendment proposed herein shall be read at two consecutive meetings of the Ulster County Legislature, and, be it further

**Resolution No. 251      June 21, 2016**

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RESOLVED, that this rule change shall take effect upon an affirmative vote of this body subsequent to two consecutive readings,  
  
and moves its adoption.

FIRST READING: May 17, 2016

SECOND READING: June 21, 2016

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 13                      NOES: 9  
(Noes: Legislators Allen, Bartels, Belfiglio, Berky,  
Delaune, Greene, Heppner, Lopez, and Rodriguez)  
(Absent: Legislator Maio)

Passed Committee: Laws and Rules, Governmental Services on May 16, 2016.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:  
NONE

STATE OF NEW YORK

ss:

COUNTY OF ULSTER

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 21<sup>st</sup> Day of June in the year Two Thousand and Sixteen, 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 22nd Day of June in the year Two Thousand and Sixteen.

/s/ Victoria A. Fabella  
Victoria A. Fabella, Clerk  
Ulster County Legislature