

**Amending Resolution No. 145 Dated June 21, 2011, Which Authorized An Expenditure To Reduce The Local Municipalities' Proportionate Cost Of The Safety Net Program**

The Ways and Means Committee (Chairman Gerentine and Legislators Harris, Maio Maloney, Gregorius, Provenzano and Rodriguez) and Co-Sponsors: The Laws and Rules/Governmental Services Committee (Chairman Roberts and Legislators Fabiano, Maio, Ronk, Donaldson, Loughran and Robert Parete) offer the following:

WHEREAS, the Safety Net Program is a valuable resource for individuals in need within Ulster County, and

WHEREAS, New York State has historically covered 50% of the cost of the Program and Ulster County's balance was paid by the local municipalities, and

WHEREAS, New York State notified Ulster County upon the release of the State budget, that the State would only contribute 29% of the Program cost, and this reduction in state aid was retroactive to January 1, 2011, and

WHEREAS, this cost-shifting imposed by New York State would have proven to be a substantial expense and burden on the local municipalities, and

WHEREAS, Ulster County was advised of an estimated increase in Federal aid through the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program, and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature, by Resolution No. 145 dated June 21, 2011, authorized the expenditure of additional TANF aid of up to \$1,300,000.00 to offset the increase in the local share of the Safety Net Program, and

WHEREAS, the total estimated 2011 Safety Net Program cost is \$1,308,420.19, and

WHEREAS, Ulster County desires to further aid the local municipalities by covering the associated cost above the \$1,300,000.00 threshold established by Resolution No. 145 dated June 21, 2011, and

WHEREAS, the Laws and Rules, Governmental Services Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of members voting approval, and

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

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RESOLVED, that Resolution 145 dated June 21, 2011, is hereby amended by changing the paragraph that bears the first 'RESOLVED' as follows:

RESOLVED, that Ulster County shall expend an amount equal to the increased amount of TANF aid, estimated to be \$1,300,000.00, ~~but in no event in excess of the actual additional TANF aid received, from~~ ADD: "plus an additional amount of up to \$10,000.00 for any necessary Safety Net adjustments," from the fund balance in an effort to reduce the local municipalities' cost of the Safety Net Program and attempt to maintain the historical funding ratio of 50%,

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Finance is hereby authorized to appropriate the said funds from the County Fund Balance as may be necessary to effectuate accurate accounting principles;

and move its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 22                      NOES: 0  
(Absent: Legislator Harris)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

STATE AID REDUCTION – FAMILY ASSISTANCE

STATE AID REDUCTION – SAFETY NET

FEDERAL AID INCREASE – FAMILY ASSISTANCE

\$ 10,000.00 – APPROXIMATE FUND BALANCE COUNTY DOLLARS

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STATE OF NEW YORK

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COUNTY OF ULSTER

This is to certify that I, the undersigned Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Ulster have compared the foregoing resolution with the original resolution now on file in the office of said clerk, and which was adopted by said Legislature on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2012, and that the same is a true and correct transcript of said resolution and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the County of Ulster this 24<sup>th</sup> Day of January in the year Two Thousand and Twelve.

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Karen L. Binder, Clerk  
Ulster County Legislature

Submitted to the County Executive this  
24<sup>th</sup> Day of January, 2012.

Approved by the County Executive this  
\_\_\_\_\_ Day of January, 2012.

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Karen L. Binder, Clerk  
Ulster County Legislature

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Michael P. Hein, County Executive