
**BROOME COUNTY LEGISLATURE
SPECIAL SESSION
THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 2004**

The Legislature convened at 5:05 p.m. with a call to order by the Chair, Daniel A. Schofield. The Clerk, Louis P. Augustini, read the fire exit announcement and called the Attendance Roll, Present-19, Absent-0.

The Chair, Mr. Schofield, led the members of the Legislature in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

RESOLUTIONS HELD OVER FROM PREVIOUS SESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 134

(Automatic Hold Over)

By County Administration Committee

Seconded by Mr. Kuzel

RESOLUTION ADOPTING LOCAL LAW INTRO. NO. 5 OF 2004, ENTITLED: "A LOCAL LAW AMENDING THE BROOME COUNTY CHARTER AND ADMINISTRATIVE CODE TO DECREASE THE NUMBER OF LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS TO THIRTEEN AND INCREASE THE TERMS OF OFFICE TO FOUR YEARS"

Mr. Hutchings made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kuzel, to amend the resolution as follows:

LOCAL LAW INTRO. NO. 5 OF 2004

A Local Law Amending the Broome County Charter and Administrative Code to Decrease the Number of Legislative Districts to Thirteen and Increase the Terms of Office to Four Years

BE IT ENACTED, by the County Legislature of the County of Broome, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section C201(3) of the Broome County Charter is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph at the end of section C201(3) to read as follows:

Effective January 1, ~~2013~~ 2007, the number of legislative districts in Broome County shall be decreased from nineteen to thirteen. ~~Upon release of the next decennial federal census~~ Prior to June 30, 2005, the County Legislature shall redraw legislative boundaries to provide for thirteen legislative districts and by June 30, ~~2012~~ 2005 §C201(3) shall be amended to define the redrawn legislative districts. This amendment, which defines the redrawn legislative districts, shall be subject to a referendum on petition in the manner provided by the terms and provisions of §24 of the Municipal Home Rule Law. County Legislators who will represent the electors of the re-drawn legislative districts shall be elected at the general election to be held in ~~2012~~ 2006 to take office on January 1, ~~2013~~ 2007.

SECTION 2. Section C202 of the Broome County Charter is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:

Beginning with those members of the County Legislature elected at the general election in ~~2012~~ 2006 to take office on January 1, ~~2013~~ 2007, the terms of office of the members of the County Legislature shall be for four (4) years and shall begin on the first day of January immediately succeeding their election.

SECTION 3. Section A201 (C) of the Broome County Administrative Code is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph at the end of Section A201 (C) to read as follows:

Effective January 1, ~~2013~~ 2007 the number of legislative districts in Broome County shall be decreased from nineteen to thirteen. ~~Upon release of the next decennial federal census~~ Prior to June 30, 2005, the County Legislature shall redraw legislative boundaries to provide for thirteen legislative districts and by June 30, ~~2012~~ 2005 §A201(3) shall be amended to define the redrawn legislative districts. This amendment, which defines the redrawn legislative districts, shall be subject to a referendum on petition in the manner provided by the terms and provisions of §24 of the Municipal Home Rule Law. County Legislators who will represent the electors of the re-drawn legislative districts shall be elected at the general election to be held in ~~2012~~ 2006 to take office on January 1, ~~2013~~ 2007.

SECTION 4.

Section A202 of the Broome County Charter is hereby amended to read as follows:

The term of office of County Legislators shall be as specified in §C202 of the Broome County Charter and shall begin on the first day of January immediately succeeding their election.

[The term of office of a County Legislator shall be for two years and shall begin on the first day of January immediately succeeding his election.]

SECTION 5. This Local Law shall become effective after a public hearing before and approval by the County Executive, after approval by the voters at a referendum to be held at the next general election and after filing a copy thereof with the Secretary of State.

Material ~~double struck~~ is deleted
Material shaded is added

Amendment failed, Ayes-4 (Hutchings, Kuzel, Pasquale, Whalen), Nays-15. **Resolution as presented carried**, Ayes-18, Nays-1 (Whalen).

RESOLUTION NO. 140

(Held over by Mr. Pasquale)

By County Administration Committee

Seconded by Mr. Shafer

RESOLUTION ADOPTING LOCAL LAW INTRO. NO. 7 OF 2004, ENTITLED: "A LOCAL LAW AMENDING THE BROOME COUNTY CHARTER AND ADMINISTRATIVE CODE TO INCREASE THE TERMS OF OFFICE OF COUNTY LEGISLATORS TO FOUR YEARS.

Failed, Ayes-0, Nays-19.

Mr. Howard made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Wike. **Motion to adjourn carried**. The meeting was adjourned at 5:19 p.m.

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