



MEDIA ADVISORY

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SUFFOLK LEGISLATURE

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GENERAL MEETING ACTION HIGHLIGHTS

Next meeting August 17th Riverhead

Public Portion There were 22 individuals who signed up to speak during the public portion at the beginning of the meeting.

HOT TOPICS

1. **Public Hearing for Sale of Foley Skilled Nursing Facility (hearing recessed)**
2. **Clarifying Legislature's authority to remove department heads Approved 11-6-0-0-1**
3. **Mandating implementation of comprehensive plan to house homeless sex offenders Approved 10-8**
4. **Gas tax cap Approved 15-3**
5. **Regulating Utility Poles on County Right of Way Approved 18-0**
6. **Independence of Ethics Commission (Veto overridden)**
7. **Streamlining procedures to replace PO or DPO (Veto sustained)**
8. **To guarantee continuity and stability in County Law Enforcement (Veto overridden)**
9. **Achieving cost savings through effective use of light duty police officers (Veto sustained)**
10. **Title Insurance contracting changes (Veto overridden)**
11. **Prompt Contracting & Prompt Payment (Veto overridden)**

Notes of Interest:

IR 1629 Of the Suffolk County Legislature electing a cents per gallon rate of sales and compensating use taxes on motor fuel and diesel fuel, in lieu of the percentage rate of such taxes pursuant to the Authority of Article 29 of the Tax Law of the State of New York. (Muratore) **Approved 15-3**

IR 1672 Mandating implementation of comprehensive plan to house homeless sex offenders. (Schneiderman) **Approved 10-8**

IR 1726 to enlarge the open period and the number of employees eligible to participate in the Retirement Incentive Program (Co. Exec.) **Approved 13-1-2-1-1**

IR 1578 to regulate utility poles on County road right-of-ways. (Eddington) **Approved 18-0**

Public Hearings **The Public Hearing on I.R. 1474** –authorizing the County Executive to execute agreements for the sale of the John J. Foley Skilled Nursing Facility. (Co. Exec.) was **recessed** the public hearing will be continued at the Legislature's August 17th General Meeting.

The Public Hearing on I.R. 1688 –mandating compliance with Financial Disclosure Requirements. (Cooper) was **recessed** the public hearing will be continued at the Legislature's August 17th General Meeting.

The Public Hearing on I.R. 1709 –to implement a one-year Rolling Debt Policy under 5-25-5 Law to Mitigate Budgetary Shortfall. (Co. Exec.) was closed, the bill will now go before the Legislature's *Budget & Finance Committee*.

The Public Hearing on I.R. 1710 –to implement a one-year Rolling Debt in 2011 under 5-25-5 Law to Mitigate Budgetary Shortfall. (Co. Exec.) was closed, the bill will now go before the Legislature's *Budget & Finance Committee*.