

BUDGET, FINANCE, AND PERSONNEL

Resolution No. 2026052

EXPRESSING LEGISLATIVE INTENT TO CONSIDER ADOPTION
OF A REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR DISABLED
VETERANS AND DIRECTING A FISCAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE
REVIEW

Legislators REDL, VALDÉS SMITH, BRENDLI, DRAGO, KAUL, KEARNEY,
LAWLER, RHODES, SHAH and WINSBY offer the following and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, the New York State Legislature Senate Bill S1183 during the 2025-2026 Legislative Session, which was signed into law by the Governor and amended Section 458-a of the New York State Real Property Tax Law to authorize local governments to provide a real property tax exemption for the primary residence of veterans with a one hundred percent service-connected disability; and

WHEREAS, such legislation permits, but does not require, counties, cities, towns, villages, and school districts to opt into this exemption by local action; and

WHEREAS, veterans who are permanently and totally disabled as a result of their military service may face significant financial hardship and fixed incomes, and providing targeted property tax relief may advance local affordability and equity goals; and

WHEREAS, recent amendments to Section 458-a raise implementation, administrative, and fiscal considerations that warrant further review or prior to local adoption, including eligibility verification, assessment impacts, and statutory clarity, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Dutchess County Legislature hereby expresses its intent to consider adoption of the veterans real property tax exemption authorized under Section 458-a of the Real Property Tax Law, as amended; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Department of Finance and the Office of Veterans Affairs shall prepare and submit a report to the Legislature addressing:

- (a) the estimated number of potentially eligible veterans within the County;
 - (b) the projected fiscal and assessment impacts of adopting such an exemption;
 - (c) administrative and verification requirements for implementation; and
 - (d) any pending or anticipated technical amendments to state law relevant to local adoption;
- and be it further

RESOLVED, that such report shall be provided to the Legislature on or before July 1, 2026, to inform future legislative consideration of the exemption.

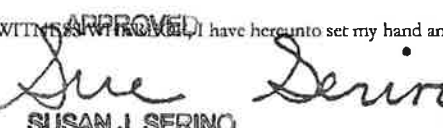
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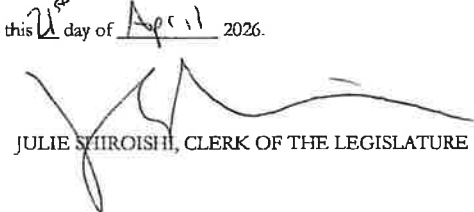
COUNTY OF DUTCHESS

This is to certify that I, the undersigned Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Dutchess, 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 15 day of April, 2026, and that the same is a true and correct transcript of said original resolution and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of said Legislature this 21st day of April, 2026.


SUSAN J. SERINO
COUNTY EXECUTIVE




JULIE SHIROISHI, CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE

Date

April 20, 2026

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

☒ NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

APPROPRIATION RESOLUTIONS

(To be completed by the requesting department)

Total Current Year Cost \$

Total Current Year Revenue \$

and Source

Source of County Funds (check one):

Existing Appropriations

Contingency

Transfer of Existing

Additional Appropriations

Other (explain)

Appropriations

Identify Line Item(s):

Related Expenses: Amount \$ _____

Nature/Reason:

Anticipated Savings to County:

Net County Cost (this year):

Over Five Years:

Additional Comments / Explanation:

BUDGET, FINANCE, AND PERSONNEL

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Prepared by: Trevor Redl Prepared
On: 3/13/26

2026

Budget, Finance, and Personnel Committee Roll Call

<i>District</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>
District 16 - Fishkill and Beacon	Valdés Smith*	X	
District 9 - City of Poughkeepsie	Atkins*	X	
District 20 - Red Hook, Tivoli, and Rhinebeck	Munn*	X	
District 3 - LaGrange	Polasek*	X	
District 12 - East Fishkill	Metzger*	X	
District 1 - Town of Poughkeepsie	Redl (VC)	X	
District 4 - Hyde Park and Town of Poughkeepsie	Lawler (C)	X	
District 7 - Hyde Park and Pleasant Valley	Darrow	X	
District 8 - City and Town of Poughkeepsie	Brendli		ABSENT
District 10 - City of Poughkeepsie	Johnson	X	
District 18 - City of Beacon and Fishkill	Rhodes	X	
District 21 - East Fishkill	Caswell	X	
Present: <u>11</u>		Total : <u>11</u>	<u>0</u>
Absent: <u>1</u>		Yes	No
Vacant: <u> </u>		Abstentions: <u> </u>	
Resolution: <u> </u>			
Motion: <u> </u>			

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Roll Call Sheets

District	Last Name	YES	NO
District 16 - Fishkill and Beacon	Valdés Smith	X	
District 9 - City of Poughkeepsie	Atkins	X	
District 20 - Red Hook, Tivoli, and Rhinebeck	Munn	X	
District 3 - LaGrange	Polasek	X	
District 12 - East Fishkill	Metzger	X	
District 1 - Town of Poughkeepsie	Redl		ABSENT
District 2 - LaGrange, Pleasant Valley & Town of Poughkeepsie	Arnoff	X	
District 4 - Hyde Park and Town of Poughkeepsie	Lawler	X	
District 5 - Town of Poughkeepsie	Shah	X	
District 6 - Town of Poughkeepsie	Kaul	X	
District 7 - Hyde Park and Pleasant Valley	Darrow	X	
District 8 - City and Town of Poughkeepsie	Brendli	X	
District 10 - City of Poughkeepsie	Johnson	X	
District 11 - Clinton, Pleasant Valley, and Rhinebeck	Kearney	X	
District 13 - East Fishkill and Wappinger	Giles	X	
District 14 - Wappinger and Town of Poughkeepsie	Winsby	X	
District 15 - Wappinger	Faust		ABSENT
District 17 - Town and Village of Fishkill	McHoul	X	
District 18 - City of Beacon and Fishkill	Rhodes	X	
District 19 - North East, Stanford, Pine Plains, Milan & Red Hook	Drago	X	
District 21 - East Fishkill	Caswell		ABSENT
District 22 - Beekman and Union Vale	Tresca	X	
District 23 - Pawling, Beekman and East Fishkill	Rolison	X	
District 24 - Dover and Pawling	House	X	
District 25 - Amenia, Washington, Pleasant Valley & Millbrook	Alexander	X	
Present:	<u>22</u>	Resolution:	<u> </u>
Absent:	<u>3</u>	Motion:	<u> </u>
Vacant:	<u> </u>	Total :	<u>22</u> <u>0</u>
			Yes No
		Abstentions:	<u> </u>

CONSENT AGENDA: RESOLUTIONS 2026043, 044, 045, 046, 047, 048, 049, 050, 052, 055, 056, 057, 059, 060, 061, 062, 063