

## LOCAL LAW INTRO NO. 423 - 2025

TO: BOARD OF LEGISLATORS  
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

Your Committee has reviewed “A LOCAL LAW amending Chapter 295 of the Laws of Westchester County to conform the County’s law governing liability and casualty reserve fund payments to New York State’s corresponding law.”

Your Committee notes that, in 1986, this Honorable Board enacted Chapter 295 of the Laws of Westchester County, creating the County’s Liability and Casualty Reserve Fund (“Chapter 295”), known as the County’s “6-n Fund,” to act as a self-insurance fund in accordance with Section 6-n of the New York State General Municipal Law (“the State Law”). As enacted, Chapter 295 only discusses expenditures for settlements of claims and litigation. However, the State Law authorizes additional expenditures, including for the uninsured portion of losses (such as deductible payments) for property damage, and other insurable events. As the State Law specifically authorizes these expenditures, it is unclear if their absence from Chapter 295 impacts the County’s ability to pay these expenditures from the 6-n Fund.

Your Committee is informed that the proposed Local Law amends Chapter 295 to include all expenditures authorized under the State Law, in order to eliminate this ambiguity.

Your Committee is informed that the proposed legislation does not meet the definition of an action under New York State Environmental Quality Review Act and its implementing regulations 6 NYCRR Part 617. Please refer to the memorandum from the Department of Planning dated January 14, 2025, which is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Legislators. Your Committee

concur in this conclusion.

In light of all of the foregoing, your Committee recommends the adoption of this Local Law.

Dated: October 20, 2025 White Plains, New York

Self -  
Coté  
James Brilliante  
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COMMITTEE ON  
Budget & Appropriations

Legislation

Dated: October 20, 2025  
White Plains, New York

*The following members attended the meeting remotely and approved this item out of Committee with an affirmative vote. Their electronic signature was authorized and is below.*

*Margaret A. Cunzio*

**COMMITTEE ON**

Legislation

A Local Law amending Chapter 295 of the Laws of Westchester County to conform the County's law governing liability and casualty reserve fund payments to New York State's corresponding law

BE IT ENACTED by the County Board of the County of Westchester as follows:

Section 1. Effective January 1, 2026, Section 295.31 of the Laws of Westchester County is hereby amended as follows:

**Sec. 295.31. - Expenditures.**

An expenditure may be made from this fund for the payment of all or part of the costs, including interest, of:

1. Judgments.
2. Actions and claims.
  - a. Actions that have been compromised or settled and that have been approved by the court in which the action or proceeding is pending;
  - b. Claims that have been compromised or settled and that have been approved by a Justice of the Supreme Court of the Ninth Judicial District;
  - c. Expert or professional services rendered in connection with investigation, adjustment, settlement or defense of claims, actions or judgments;
  - d. Claims, demands or actions that have been compromised, settled or adjusted by the County Attorney or County Board of Acquisition and Contract pursuant to Chapter 158;
  - e. Any other expenditure authorized by subdivision 2 of section 6-n of the General Municipal Law.

Section 2. This Local Law shall take effect immediately.

# FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

SUBJECT: Amendment to Chapter 295

☒ NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

## OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT

To Be Completed by Submitting Department and Reviewed by Budget

### SECTION A - FUND

☐ GENERAL FUND

☐ AIRPORT FUND

☐ SPECIAL DISTRICTS FUND

### SECTION B - EXPENSES AND REVENUES

Total Current Year Expense \$ -

Total Current Year Revenue \$ -

Source of Funds (check one): ☐ Current Appropriations ☐ Transfer of Existing Appropriations

☐ Additional Appropriations ☐ Other (explain)

Identify Accounts: N/A

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount N/A

Describe: A Local Law amending Chapter 295 of the Laws of Westchester County to conform the County's law governing liability and casualty reserve fund payments to New York State's corresponding law.

Potential Related Operating Budget Revenues: Annual Amount N/A

Describe: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Anticipated Savings to County and/or Impact on Department Operations:

Current Year: N/A

Next Four Years: N/A

Prepared by: Patricia Haggerty

Title: Sr. Budget Analyst

Department: Budget

Date: September 23, 2025

Reviewed By: *[Signature]*

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Budget Director

Date: 9/23/25

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COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER )

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared the foregoing Local Law, Local Law Intro No. 423 - 2025, with the original on file in my office, and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole, of the said original Local Law, which was duly adopted by the County Board of Legislators, of the County of Westchester on November 17, 2025, and approved by the County Executive on November 19, 2025.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Corporate Seal of said County Board of Legislators on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2025.

*Malika Vanderberg*

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The Clerk of the Westchester County  
Board of Legislators

County of Westchester, New York

