ACT 115 - 2025

TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

DRAFT IMAs ON FILE

Your Committee has been advised that pursuant to sections 500-c and 500-d of the New York State Correction Law, the County of Westchester ("County") is required at its own expense to transport prisoners between local municipalities and the Westchester County Jail located at Valhalla, New York ("Westchester County Jail"). In addition, the County is required to provide meals to such prisoners. The County relies on assistance from local municipalities to carry out these functions and by so doing saves taxpayer funds.

Your Committee is in receipt of a communication from the County Executive recommending approval of an Act, which, if adopted, would authorize the County to enter into intermunicipal agreements ("IMAs") with twenty-one (21) municipalities in order to reimburse each municipality for costs incurred to transport prisoners who have been arraigned in local courts, between each municipality and the Westchester County Jail. The term of the IMAs will commence retroactively on January 1, 2025 and terminate December 31, 2026. The total annual reimbursement to all of the municipalities will not exceed \$745,000, for a total aggregate amount not to exceed \$1,490,000 for the two-year term. Each municipality shall be reimbursed by the County for prisoner transportation services at the agreed upon rates, plus mileage per round trip, as indicated in the Zone Rate Plan attached to the Act as Appendix "A". The proposed IMAs will allow the County to reimburse the municipalities for the

costs they incur in transporting prisoners, who have been arraigned in local courts, between each municipality and the Westchester County Jail.

Reimbursement to the municipalities will be pursuant to four zone rates which are fixed fees plus the mileage to and from the Westchester County Jail multiplied by the then current Internal Revenue Service mileage rate. The zone rates represent an increase of 3.00% each year. The County will also reimburse the municipalities for the actual and reasonable cost of meals provided to post-arraignment prisoners.

The Department of Planning has advised that the proposed IMAs do not meet the definition of an "action" under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"), 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. Therefore, no environmental review is required. Your Committee concurs with this recommendation.

Your Committee has been advised that a majority of the voting strength of the Board of Legislators is required in order to adopt the annexed Act. After review

and careful consideration, your Committee recommends favorable action upon the proposed annex Act.

Dated: June Z, 2025 White Plains, New York

COMMITTEE ON:

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Dated: May 27th, 2025 White Plains, New York

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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.

Public Safety

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

SUBJECT: Pris. Transport Zones 2025-2026 NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED
OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (To be completed by operating department and reviewed by Budget Department)
A) GENERAL FUND AIRPORT SPECIAL REVENUE FUND (Districts)
B) EXPENSES AND REVENUES
Total Current Year Cost \$ 745,000
Total Current Year Revenue \$
Source of Funds (check one):
☐ Transfer of Existing Appropriations ☐ Additional Appropriations ☐ Other (explain)
Identify Accounts:
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Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount \$ 745,000
Describe: 2025- \$ 745,000 (to reimburse the municipalities for transporting prisoners based on zone rates.
Potential Related Revenues: Annual Amount \$
Describe:
Anticipated Savings to County and/or Impact on Department Operations:
Current Year: 2025 - \$745,000
Next Four years: 2026 - \$745,000
Prepared by: William Fallon
Title: <u>Director Of Administrative Services</u> Budget Director
Department: Correction 5 7 75
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ACT NO. 115 - 2025

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into Internunicipal Agreements with twenty-one (21) municipalities in order to provide reimbursement for prisoner transportation to the Westchester County Jail.

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

Section 1. The County of Westchester (the "County") is hereby authorized to enter into Intermunicipal Agreements ("IMAs") with the twenty-one (21) municipalities indicated in Appendix "A", which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, in order to reimburse each of the municipalities for the cost to transport prisoners round trip between each municipality and the Westchester County Jail located at Valhalla, New York.

- §2. The term of each IMA shall commence retroactively on January 1, 2025 and continue through December 31, 2026.
- §3. The County will reimburse each municipality for the costs for round trip prisoner transportation at the rates indicated in Appendix "A". Reimbursement will also be made for the actual and reasonable costs of meals provided to post-arraignment prisoners. The total annual reimbursement to all of the municipalities pursuant to the IMAs will not exceed \$745,000, for a total aggregate amount not to exceed \$1,490,000 for the two-year term.
- §4. The County Executive or his authorized designee be and hereby is authorized and empowered to execute instruments and take all action necessary and appropriate to accomplish the purposes hereof.
 - **§5.** This Act shall take effect immediately.

APPENDIX "A"

ZONE PLAN REIMBURSEMENT RATES WITH DISTANCE TRAVELED TO AND FROM

WESTCHESTER COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION

(Effective Term: January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2026)

2025 / 2026 ZONES RATES

ZONE #1	ROUND TRIP REIMBURSEMENT	ZONE #3
1/1/25 - 12/31/25	\$238.56	1/1/25 - 12/31/2
1/1/26 - 12/31/26	\$245.72	1/1/26 - 12/31/2
Elmsford, Village		Port Chester, V
Pleasantville, Village		Mamaroneck, V
Sleepy Hollow, Village		Pelham Town
Tarrytown, Village		Rye Brook, Vil
		Tuckahoe, Villa
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ZONE #3	ROUND TRIP REIMBURSEMENT
1/1/25 - 12/31/25	\$262.50
1/1/26 - 12/31/26	\$270.48
Port Chester, Village	
Mamaroneck, Village	
Pelham Town	
Rye Brook, Village	
Tuckahoe, Village	
Eastchester, Town	

ZONE #2	ROUND TRIP REIMBURSEMENT	
1/1/25 - 12/31/25	\$251.11	
1/1/26 - 12/31/26	\$259.28	
Ardsley, Village		
Briarcliff Manor,		
Village		
Dobbs Ferry, Village		
Hastings-on-Hudson,		
Village		
Irvington, Village		
New Castle, Town		
North Castle		
Ossining, Village		
Scarsdale, Village		

ZONE #4	ROUND TRIP REIMBURSEMENT	
1/1/25 - 12/31/25	\$267.03	
1/1/26 - 12/31/26	\$275.04	
Pelham Manor (Village)		
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The above Zone Rates will be reimbursed plus mileage to be reimbursed at \$.70 (or the then current IRS mileage rate) times distance.

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WESTCHESTER COUNTY)	

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the foregoing Act, Act No. 115 - 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 Act, which was duly adopted by the County Board of Legislators, of the County of Westchester on June 2, 2025, and approved by the County Executive on June 3, 2025.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Corporate Seal of said County Board of Legislators on this 3rd day of June, 2025.

Malika Vanderberg

The Clerk of the Westchester County Board of Legislators

County of Westchester, New York

