

ACT 278 - 2025

TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

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IMA 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. In addition, the County must provide meals to such prisoners.

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 an intermunicipal agreement ("IMA") with the City of Yonkers ("Yonkers") in order to reimburse Yonkers an amount not to exceed \$332,928.00 in 2026 and \$339,586.56 in 2027, for a total aggregate amount not to exceed \$672,514.56, for the term commencing January 1, 2026 and expiring December 31, 2027. This IMA will allow the County to reimburse Yonkers for the costs incurred by Yonkers to transport prisoners who have been arraigned to and from Yonkers and the Westchester County Jail located at Valhalla, New York.

Your Committee is further advised that reimbursement to Yonkers will be for round trip transportation and will be based on the per trip labor costs of detention officers and for vehicle usage. Reimbursement to Yonkers for prisoner transportation in 2026 will be at the following rates: \$223.00 per round trip with two detention officers; \$334.50 per round trip with three detention officers, and \$446.00 per round trip with four detention officers. In 2027, Yonkers will be reimbursed as follows: \$227.45 per round trip with two detention officers; \$341.17 per round trip with three detention officers, and

\$454.90 per round trip with four detention officers. Yonkers will also be reimbursed for vehicle usage at the rate of seventy cents (\$.70) per mile, or at the then current Internal Revenue Service mileage reimbursement rate multiplied by the mileage to and from the Westchester County Jail, which is agreed to be 16 miles each way. The County will also reimburse Yonkers for the actual and reasonable cost of meals provided to post-arraignment prisoners.

The Department of Planning has advised that the proposed IMA does not meet the definition of an “action” under the New York 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 Act.

Dated: November 24th, 2025

White Plains, New York

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Budget & Appropriations
COMMITTEE ON

Public Safety

Dated: November 24, 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

Committee(s) on:

Budget & Appropriations



Public Safety



FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

SUBJECT: Pris. Transport Yonkers 2026-2027

☐ 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 \$ 332,928

Total Current Year Revenue \$ _____

Source of Funds (check one): ☒ Current Appropriations

☐ Transfer of Existing Appropriations ☐ Additional Appropriations ☐ Other (explain)

Identify Accounts: _____

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount \$ 332,928

Describe: 2026- \$ 332,928 (to reimburse Yonkers for transporting prisoners.

Potential Related Revenues: Annual Amount \$ _____

Describe: _____

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

Current Year: 2026 - \$332,928

Next Four years: 2027 - \$339,586

Prepared by: William Fallon

Title: Director Of Administrative Services

Department: Correction

Reviewed By: 

Budget Director

11/12/25

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AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an Intermunicipal Agreement with the City of Yonkers in order to provide reimbursement for prisoner transportation to the Westchester County Jail within the period from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2027, for a total amount not to exceed \$672,514.56.

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

Section 1. The County of Westchester (the "County") be and hereby is authorized to enter into an Intermunicipal Agreement ("IMA") with the City of Yonkers ("Yonkers") in order to reimburse Yonkers for the cost to transport prisoners round trip between Yonkers City Court and the Westchester County Jail located at Valhalla, New York, in an amount not to exceed \$332,928.00 in 2026 and \$339,586.56 in 2027, for a total aggregate amount not to exceed \$672,514.56. The IMA will be for the term commencing January 1, 2026 and expiring December 31, 2027.

§2. The County will reimburse Yonkers for prisoner transportation for the term January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026 at the following rates: \$223.00 per round trip with two detention officers; \$334.50 per round trip with three detention officers, and \$446.00 per round trip with four detention officers. The County will reimburse Yonkers for prisoner transportation for the term January 1, 2027 through December 31, 2027 at the following rates: \$227.45 per round trip with two detention officers; \$341.17 per round trip with three detention officers, and \$454.90 per round trip with four detention officers. Yonkers will also be reimbursed for vehicle usage between the City Court of Mount Vernon and the Westchester County Jail, which is agreed to be sixteen (16) miles each way, at the rate of seventy cents (\$.70), or at the then current

Internal Revenue Service mileage reimbursement rate for the term of the IMA. Yonkers will also be reimbursed for the actual and reasonable costs of meals provided to post-arraignment prisoners.

§3. The County Executive or his authorized designee be and hereby is authorized and empowered to execute instruments and take any and all action necessary and appropriate to accomplish the purposes hereof.

§4. This Act shall take effect immediately.

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss.
WESTCHESTER COUNTY)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the foregoing Act, Act No. 278 - 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 December 8, 2025, and approved by the County Executive on December 15, 2025.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Corporate Seal of said County Board of Legislators on this 15th day of December, 2025.



Malika Vanderberg

The Clerk of the Westchester County
Board of Legislators

County of Westchester, New York

