



Budget & Appropriations

BOL Meeting Minutes - Final

Committee Chair: Vedat Gashi

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Thursday, April 28, 2022

10:00 AM

Committee Room

CALL TO ORDER

This meeting will be held pursuant to Chapter 1 of the New York State Laws of 2022 and Executive Order 11, as extended, which authorize any public body to meet and take such action authorized by law without permitting in public-in-person access to meetings and authorize such meetings to be held remotely by conference call or similar service, provided that the public has the ability to view or listen to such proceeding and that such meetings are recorded and later transcribed. To access the meeting, please visit: <https://westchestercountyny.legistar.com>

With a quorum present, Chair Gashi called the meeting to order at 10:10 AM.

Present: Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Maher, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Tubiolo and Legislator Williams Johnson

Absent: Legislator Smith and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

Remote: Legislator Barr, Legislator Borgia, Legislator Nolan, Legislator Parker and Committee Vice-Chair Shimsky

MINUTES APPROVAL

I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

[ACT-2022-50](#) [ACT-Westchester Gas Tax Cap](#)

AN ACT of the Westchester County Board of Legislators electing a cents per gallon rate of sales and compensating use taxes on motor fuel and diesel motor 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.

Submitted by: COMMITTEE ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

B&A Only.

Guests:

Budget Director Larry Soule, Deputy Budget Director Gideon Grande-Budget County Attorney John Nonna, Chief Deputy County Attorney Stacey Dolgin-Kmetz, and Assistant County Attorney Justin Adin-LAW

Budget Director Larry Soule discussed that the fiscal impact statement reflects what the impact of the County budget would be to cap the amount of gasoline purchases that are subject to this just for the County portion of the sales tax. NYS has already passed their exemption. On a gross basis it is 3 million in revenue that would be foregone based on assuming the current price of gasoline at \$4:10 per gallon. There is a portion that we share with the local municipalities which is \$708,000 that we would not be sharing with the local municipalities if this is passed. The net cost is the difference between those two numbers to

the County budget. This represents 20 cents a gallon savings to the consumer when you combine the NYS and County tax caps. Around 80 million gallons of gasoline are sold in the County per quarter and this information comes from Tax and Finance. This cap would mean that there are only up to \$3.00 subject to the County sales tax, anything over would be exempt.

On motion of Legislator Tubiolo, seconded by Legislator Borgia, the above item was signed by committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Barr, Legislator Borgia, Legislator Nolan, Legislator Pierce, Committee Vice-Chair Shimsky, Legislator Tubiolo and Legislator Williams Johnson

Nay: Legislator Maher

Absent: Legislator Smith and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

WO Prejudice: Legislator Parker

II. OTHER BUSINESS

III. RECEIVE & FILE

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Committee Vice-Chair Shimsky, seconded by Legislator Tubiolo, the Committee adjourned at 10:47 PM.