

Public Safety & Veterans BOL Meeting Minutes - Final



Committee Chair: David Tubiolo

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10:00 AM

Committee Room

Joint W/ B&A

CALL TO ORDER

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Legislator Colin Smith will be participating remotely from 1132 Main Street, Suite 1, Peekskill, NY 10566

With a quorum present, Vice Chair Clements called the meeting to order at 10:12 am.

Others in Attendance: Ethan Samuel, Jill Axelrod, Sebastian Loreti, James Silverberg, Greg Casciato, Santiago Caceres GUESTS: Guests: Peter Tartaglia, Robert Lopane, Blanca Lopez, Stephen Courage, Craig Lader, Susan Spear, Douglas Stiller, Karin Hablow, Mario Arena, Loren Zeitler ; BOL: Legislators Nancy Barr, David Imamura, Anant Nambiar, Erika Pierce, Shanae Williams, Jewel Williams Johnson.

Present: Legislator Clements, Legislator Smith, Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

Absent: Legislator Tubiolo and Legislator Cunzio

MINUTES APPROVAL

I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

[ACT-2026-122](#) ACT-Regional Partnership Agreement-Dutchess & Putnam Counties FY2023

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into a Regional Partnership Agreement with Dutchess County and Putnam County in order to receive funding from the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services under FY2023 Hazardous Materials Grant Program.

**SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC
SAFETY & VETERANS**

Guests: Dept of Emergency Services.: Commissioner Susan Spear and Chief of Special Operations Douglas Stiller

This item was discussed with item #3. Westchester County seeks legislation for a regional partnership with Dutchess and Hudson Counties in order to receive funding from the state hazardous materials grant program for fiscal years 2023 and 2024. The fiscal year 2023 allocation is \$122,500; fiscal year 2024 allocation is \$44,981 due to federal budget cuts. Funding originates from the US Department of Homeland Security's State Homeland Security grant program. Regional partnerships use funds for eme

On motion of Legislator Woodson-Samuels, seconded by Legislator Gashi, the above item was signed by committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Clements, Legislator Smith, Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

Absent: Legislator Tubiolo and Legislator Cunzio

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SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY & VETERANS

Guests: Dept of Emergency Services.: Commissioner Susan Spear and Chief of Special Operations Douglas Stiller

Please refer to item #1 for discussion.

On motion of Legislator Woodson-Samuels, seconded by Legislator Gashi, the above item was signed by committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Clements, Legislator Smith, Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

Absent: Legislator Tubiolo and Legislator Cunzio

II. OTHER BUSINESS

III. RECEIVE & FILE

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Legislator Woodson-Samuels, seconded by Legislator Smith, the meeting was adjourned at 10:42 am. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Clements, Legislator Smith, Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

Absent: Legislator Tubiolo and Legislator Cunzio