

The Legislature of Rockland County



**PHILIP SOSKIN
LEGISLATOR-DISTRICT 7
CHAIR, MULTI-SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**AGENDA
MULTI-SERVICES COMMITTEE
TUESDAY JUNE 14, 2016
6:30 PM**

ROLL CALL

- 1.REF. #8894A** APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO AN AGREEMENT IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 WITH HEAD START OF ROCKLAND, INC. FOR THE PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION CENTER BASED AND/OR SEIT PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES IN THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$120,000 AND FOR A TOTAL CONTRACT SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$820,000 FOR THE PERIOD FROM JULY 1, 2015 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2016 AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE [DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH] (\$820,000)
(DR. PATRICIA RUPPERT COMMISSIONER OF DEPARTMENT HEALTH) DL#: 2016-01581
- 2.REF. #8894B** APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO AN AGREEMENT IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 WITH HTA OF NEW YORK, INC. FOR PRESCHOOL RELATED SERVICES FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES IN THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$250,000 AND FOR A TOTAL CONTRACT SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$400,000 FOR THE PERIOD FROM JULY 1, 2015 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2016 AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE [DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH] (\$400,000)
(DR. PATRICIA RUPPERT COMMISSIONER OF DEPARTMENT HEALTH) DL#: 2016-01591
- 3.REF. #7171** APPROVAL OF THE USE OF ROCKLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE AS SITE NO. 28 FOR THE NEW YORK STATE MESONET/SUNY RESEARCH FOUNDATION EARLY WEATHER DETECTION SYSTEM [ROCKLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE]
(CLIFF L. WOOD PRESIDENT OF DEPARTMENT RCC) DL#: 2016-01839
- 4.REF. #8890** SETTING A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING: A LOCAL LAW ENACTING "THE PHARMACY 'TAKE-BACK'ACT"
(HON. LON M. HOFSTEIN LEGISLATURE)
- 5.REF. #6760** REQUESTING THAT NEW YORK STATE SENATE PASS BILL S.6341B, AMENDING THE COUNTY LAW, EXECUTIVE LAW AND STATE FINANCE LAW IN RELATION TO INDIGENT LEGAL SERVICES
(HON. ALDEN H. WOLFE LAGISLATURE)
- 6.REF # 3657** DISCUSSION- PRESENTATION OF SENIOR TASK FORCE INTERGENERATIONAL RESEARCH INITIAVE COLLABORATION WITH HUDSON VALLEY P-TECH STUDENTS
(HON. ANEY PAUL LEGISLATURE)

Introduced by:

DRAFT

Referral No.

8894A

**RESOLUTION NO. OF 2016
APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO AN AGREEMENT
IN EXCESS OF \$100,000
WITH HEAD START OF ROCKLAND, INC.
FOR THE PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION CENTER BASED AND/OR
SEIT PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES
IN THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$120,000
AND FOR A TOTAL CONTRACT SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$820,000
FOR THE PERIOD FROM JULY 1, 2015 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2016
AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE
[DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH]
(\$820,000)**

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 442 of 2015, the Legislature of Rockland County approved an agreement with Head Start of Rockland, Inc., 117 Route 9W, Haverstraw, New York 10927, for the Preschool Special Education Center Based and/or SEIT Program for Children with Disabilities in an amount not to exceed \$700,000 for the period from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016; and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of Health recommends to the County Executive and the Legislature of Rockland County that the County amend the agreement with Head Start of Rockland, Inc., by increasing the amount of the agreement by \$120,000 for a total contract sum not to exceed \$820,000 for the period from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Sufficient funding for the amendment is provided for in the 2016 Budget of the Department of Health; and

WHEREAS, Local Law No. 18 of 1996 provides for the Legislature to approve the "execution of all contracts in excess of \$100,000 entered into by the County"; and

WHEREAS, The Committees of the Legislature have met, considered and approved this resolution, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Legislature of Rockland County hereby approves the amendment to the agreement with Head Start of Rockland, Inc., 117 Route 9W, Haverstraw, New York 10927, for the Preschool Special Education Center Based and/or SEIT Program for Children with Disabilities in the additional amount of \$120,000 and for a total contract sum not to exceed \$820,000 for the period from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016, and authorizes its execution by the County Executive, subject to the approval of the County Attorney; and be it further

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RESOLVED, That sufficient funding for the amendment is provided for in the 2016 Budget of the Department of Health.

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Introduced by:

Referral No.

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**RESOLUTION NO. OF 2016
APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO AN AGREEMENT
IN EXCESS OF \$100,000
WITH HTA OF NEW YORK, INC.
FOR PRESCHOOL RELATED SERVICES FOR CHILDREN
WITH DISABILITIES IN THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$250,000
AND FOR A TOTAL CONTRACT SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$400,000
FOR THE PERIOD FROM JULY 1, 2015 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2016
AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE
[DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH]
(\$400,000)**

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 442 of 2015, the Legislature of Rockland County approved an agreement with HTA of New York, Inc., 1053 Saw Mill River Road, Suite 101, Ardsley, New York 10502, for preschool related services for children with disabilities in an amount not to exceed \$150,000 for the period from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016; and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of Health recommends to the County Executive and the Legislature of Rockland County that the County amend the agreement with HTA of New York, Inc., by increasing the amount of the agreement by \$250,000 for a total contract sum not to exceed \$400,000 for the period from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Sufficient funding for the amendment is provided for in the 2016 Budget of the Department of Health; and

WHEREAS, Local Law No. 18 of 1996 provides for the Legislature to approve the "execution of all contracts in excess of \$100,000 entered into by the County"; and

WHEREAS, The Committees of the Legislature have met, considered and approved this resolution, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Legislature of Rockland County hereby approves the amendment to the agreement with HTA of New York, Inc., 1053 Saw Mill River Road, Suite 101, Ardsley, New York 10502, for preschool related services for children with disabilities, in the additional amount of \$250,000 and for a total contract sum not to exceed \$400,000 for the period from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016, and authorizes its execution by the County Executive, subject to the approval of the County Attorney; and be it further

RESOLVED, That sufficient funding for the amendment is provided for in the 2016 Budget of the Department of Health.

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Introduced by:

Referral No. 777

**RESOLUTION NO. OF 2016
APPROVAL OF THE USE OF ROCKLAND COMMUNITY
COLLEGE AS SITE NO. 28 FOR THE NEW YORK STATE
MESONET/SUNY RESEARCH FOUNDATION
EARLY WEATHER DETECTION SYSTEM
[ROCKLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE]**

WHEREAS, The President of Rockland Community College (the "College") has advised the County Executive and the Legislature of Rockland County that the College has been selected as one of seventeen (17) enhanced sites deployed across New York state as part of the NYS Mesonet Early Warning Weather Detection System; and

WHEREAS, The NYS Mesonet Early Warning Weather Detection System is an advanced statewide weather station network; and

WHEREAS, The network will consist of up to 125 surface weather stations that will detect weather phenomena across the entire state; and

WHEREAS, The weather detection system will provide federal, state and local communities with access to high-resolution, real-time data and more robust predictive models; and

WHEREAS, Each site will be outfitted with lidars and microwave profilers, providing wind, temperature and moisture profiles in the vertical; and

WHEREAS, The Rockland Community College Mesonet site has been proposed on the main campus as one of the sites; and

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 31 of 2015, the Board of Trustees of Rockland Community College unanimously approved the College as one of the Mesonet sites as proposed under the program; and

WHEREAS, The estimated cost of the project is \$590,000 which includes labor and equipment will be covered by a New York State Mesonet/SUNY Research Foundation grant from FEMA; and

WHEREAS, The President of Rockland Community College recommends that the Legislature of Rockland County approve the College becoming Site No. 28 of the New York State Mesonet Early Warning Weather Detection System; and

WHEREAS, The adoption of this resolution does not require the expenditure of any County funds; and

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WHEREAS, The Committee of the Legislature has met, considered and approved this resolution; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Legislature of Rockland County hereby approves Rockland Community College becoming Site No. 28 of the New York State Mesonet Early Warning Weather Detection System and authorizes the execution of any necessary documents by the County Executive in order to implement this process; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the adoption of this resolution does not require the expenditure of any County funds.

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Introduced by:
Hon. Lon M. Hofstein, Sponsor

Referral No. 8390
, 2016

RESOLUTION NO. OF 2016
SETTING A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING:
A LOCAL LAW ENACTING
"THE PHARMACY 'TAKE-BACK' ACT"

WHEREAS, the _____ Committee has met, considered
and by a _____ vote approved this resolution, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that this Legislature hereby sets the _____ day of
_____, 2016, at _____ P.M. for a public hearing to provide for a
local law enacting "The Pharmacy 'Take-Back' Act."

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**LOCAL LAW NO. OF 2016
COUNTY OF ROCKLAND
STATE OF NEW YORK**

Introduced by: Hon. Lon M. Hofstein
Hon. Christopher J. Carey, Co-Sponsor
Hon. Charles J. Falciglia, Co-Sponsor
Hon. Douglas J. Jobson, Co-Sponsor
Hon. Patrick J. Moroney, Co-Sponsor
Hon. Laurie A. Santulli, Co-Sponsor
Hon. Vincent D. Tyer, Co-Sponsor

A local law to require pharmacies in the County of Rockland to provide the public with a place for the disposal of unused controlled substances and medical sharps waste.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the County of Rockland as follows:

Section 1. Name of Local Law.

This law shall be known as "The Pharmacy 'Take-Back' Act."

Section 2. Legislative intent.

Improper disposal of controlled substances or medical sharps presents various risks to the members of the public.

Improper management of discarded needles and other sharps can pose a health risk to the public and waste workers. For example, discarded needles may expose waste workers to potential needle stick injuries and potential infection when containers break open inside garbage trucks or needles are mistakenly sent to recycling facilities. Janitors and housekeepers also risk injury if loose sharps poke through plastic garbage bags. Used needles can transmit serious diseases, such as HIV and hepatitis.

Some prescription drugs such as powerful narcotic pain relievers and other controlled substances carry instructions for flushing to reduce the danger of unintentional use or overdose and illegal abuse. (For example, the fentanyl patch, an adhesive patch that delivers a potent pain medicine through the skin, comes with instructions to flush used or leftover patches. Too much fentanyl can cause severe breathing problems and lead

to death in babies, children, pets and even adults, especially those who have not been prescribed the medicine.) However, some people are questioning the practice of flushing certain medicines because of concerns about trace levels of drug residues found in surface water, such as rivers and lakes, and in some community drinking water supplies.

Therefore, in order to encourage the proper disposal of unused controlled substances and medical sharps and help reduce harm from accidental exposure or intentional misuse after they are no longer needed, this law will require pharmacies in the County of Rockland to provide the public with a place for the disposal of unused controlled substances and medical sharps.

Section 3. Definitions.

As used in this article, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

A. CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES -- A controlled substance is generally a drug or chemical whose manufacture, possession, or use is regulated by a government, such as illicitly used drugs or prescription medications that are designated a controlled drug.

B. MEDICAL SHARPS -- A form of biomedical waste composed of used sharps, which includes any device or object used to puncture or lacerate the skin.

C. PERSON -- any natural person, individual, corporation, unincorporated association, proprietorship, firm, partnership, joint venture, joint stock association, or other entity of business of any kind.

D. PHARMACY - any place, other than a registered store, in which drugs, prescriptions or poisons are possessed for the purpose of compounding, preserving, dispensing or retailing, or in which drugs, prescriptions or poisons are compounded, preserved, dispensed or retailed, or in which such drugs, prescriptions or poisons are by advertising or otherwise offered for sale at retail

Section 4. Requirements.

A. Pharmacies in the County of Rockland shall provide the public with a place for the disposal of unused controlled substances and medical sharps.

B. Such unused controlled substances and medical sharps shall be kept in a secure bin to prevent hazards and protect against personal injury.

C. Pharmacies shall arrange for the safe and secure deposit or delivery of collected medical sharps and unused controlled substances to a lawful repository of such waste.

Section 5. Enforcement and Penalties.

Any person who violates the provisions of this chapter shall be subject to the imposition by the Rockland County Department of Consumer Protection of a civil penalty of \$250 for an initial violation, and \$1,000 for any person who is found to have violated the provisions of this act three times within a twelve (12) month period or more than three times within a twenty-four (24) month period. No civil penalty shall be imposed by the Rockland County Department of Consumer Protection as provided for herein unless the alleged violator has received notice of the charge against him or her and has had an opportunity to be heard pursuant to the normal procedures of the Rockland County Department of Consumer Protection. Prior to the imposition of the first civil penalty on an alleged violator, the Rockland County Department of Consumer Protection shall make a good-faith effort to issue a warning to the alleged violator and shall make a good-faith effort to educate the alleged violator about the provisions of this chapter.

Section 6. Applicability.

This law shall apply to all actions occurring on or after the effective date of this law.

Section 7. Preemption.

This Local Law shall be null and void on the day that statewide or federal legislation goes into effect that incorporates either the same or substantially the same provisions as are contained in this Local Law, or in the event that a pertinent state or federal administrative agency issues and promulgates regulations preempting such action by the County of Rockland.

Section 8. Severability.

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section or part of this local law or the application thereof to any person, individual, corporation, firm, partnership, entity or circumstance shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair, effect or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section or part of this law or in its application to the person, individual, corporation, firm, partnership, entity or circumstance directly involved in the controversy in which such order or judgment shall be rendered.

Section 9. Effective date.

This local law shall take effect (90) days after it is filed with the New York State Secretary of State.

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Introduced by:
Hon. Alden H. Wolfe, Sponsor

Referral No.
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**RESOLUTION NO. OF 2016
REQUESTING THAT NEW YORK STATE SENATE PASS BILL
S.6341B, AMENDING THE COUNTY LAW, EXECUTIVE LAW, AND
STATE FINANCE LAW IN RELATION TO INDIGENT LEGAL SERVICES**

WHEREAS, counties statewide are currently responsible for funding indigent legal services by federal mandate but adherence is uneven and dependent on a particular county's ability or inability to properly fund the program; and

WHEREAS, many counties have no system for supervising caseloads or quality, no staffing formula to ensure an appropriate number of public defenders, and no standard ensuring comparable compensation for defenders.

WHEREAS, the New York State Office of Legal Services and the nine-member Legal Services Board were created in 2006 partly in response to a 2006 report that found glaring deficiencies in the quality of indigent legal services offered by counties. These deficiencies included excessive caseloads, inability to hire full-time defenders; lack of adequate support services, lack of adequate training, minimum client contact and, in some courts, outright denial of the constitutional right to counsel; and

WHEREAS, the state has just recently settled a lawsuit with five counties - Suffolk, Washington, Ontario, Onondaga, and Schuyler - in which the settlement calls for the Office of Indigent Legal Services to be in charge of the public defense operations in the five counties; and

WHEREAS, this legislation would amend the law to provide for the state to take over full funding of the program in 2023, and relieve all counties of this financial strain; and

WHEREAS, local governments have been struggling while the state's finances have generally improved, so now is the time for the state to reinvest in its counties and relieve the counties of this unfunded mandate; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Assembly has already unanimously passed A.6202C, and the legislation is now being considered in the New York State Senate; and

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WHEREAS, the _____ Committee has met, considered and by a _____ vote, approved this resolution; now therefore be it

RESOLVED; that the Legislature of Rockland County hereby requests that, since the New York State Assembly has already unanimously passed A. 6202C, the New York State Senate pass Bill S.6341B to amend the County Law, Executive Law, and State Finance Law in relation to indigent legal services, and that the Governor of New York sign such legislation; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk to the Legislature be and he is hereby authorized and directed to send a copy of this resolution to Hon. Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York; Hon. David Carlucci, Hon. William J. Larkin, Jr., New York State Senators, Hon. Kenneth P. Zebrowski, Jr., Hon. Ellen C. Jaffee, Hon. James G. Skoufis, and Hon. Karl Brabanec, Members of the New York State Assembly; the President Pro Tem of the New York State Senate; the Speaker of the New York State Assembly; the Majority and Minority Leaders of the New York State Senate and Assembly; and to such other persons as the Clerk, in his discretion, may deem proper in order to effectuate the purpose of this resolution.

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