

# The Legislature of Rockland County



**NANCY LOW-HOGAN**  
**Legislator - District 17**

Chairwoman, Economic Development Committee  
Vice-Chairwoman, Environmental Committee  
Member, Budget & Finance Committee  
Member, Public Safety Committee

**AGENDA**  
**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**  
**TUESDAY, JULY 28, 2015**  
**5:30 PM**

ROLL CALL

ADOPTION OF MINUTES, MEETING OF MARCH 25, 2015

1. REF. #5128 - CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF TIMOTHY J. RILEY, SUFFERN, NEW YORK TO THE ROCKLAND COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY  
**(HON. EDWIN J. DAY, COUNTY EXECUTIVE)**  
**DL#2015-02622**
  
2. REF. #8055 - REQUESTING HOME RULE LEGISLATION IN THE NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATURE TO REPEAL THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (MTA) PAYROLL TAX  
**(HON. ALDEN H. WOLFE, LEGISLATURE)**  
**LG#2015-44**
  
3. REF. #8055 - REQUESTING HOME RULE LEGISLATION IN THE NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATURE TO REPEAL THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (MTA) SUPPLEMENTAL VEHICLE REGISTRATION FEE AND OTHER ASSOCIATED FEES  
**(HON. ALDEN H. WOLFE, LEGISLATURE)**  
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Introduced by

Referral No. 5128

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ OF 2015  
CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF  
TIMOTHY J. RILEY, SUFFERN, NEW YORK  
TO THE ROCKLAND COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

DEPART

WHEREAS, General Municipal Law §925-1 established the County of Rockland Industrial Development Agency ("IDA"); and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to General Municipal Law §925-1(b) the IDA shall consist of five members who shall be appointed by the County Executive, subject to the approval of the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 233 of 2012, the Legislature of Rockland County confirmed the reappointment of Timothy J. Riley, Suffern, New York to the Rockland County Industrial Development Agency for an additional three-year term; and

WHEREAS, The County Executive has reappointed Timothy J. Riley, Suffern, New York to the Rockland County Industrial Development Agency for an additional three-year term; and

WHEREAS, The \_\_\_\_\_ Committee of the Legislature has met, considered and recommended this resolution, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That pursuant to General Municipal Law §925-1(b), the Legislature of Rockland County hereby confirms the reappointment of Timothy J. Riley, Suffern, New York as a member of the Rockland County Industrial Development Agency for an additional three-year term, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk to the Legislature is hereby directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Rockland County Industrial Development Agency and to the appointee, Timothy J. Riley.

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# DRAFT

Introduced by:  
Hon. Alden H. Wolfe, Sponsor

Referral No. 8055  
, 2015

**RESOLUTION NO.        OF 2015  
REQUESTING HOME RULE LEGISLATION IN THE NEW YORK  
STATE LEGISLATURE TO REPEAL THE METROPOLITAN  
TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (MTA) PAYROLL TAX**

WHEREAS, Rockland County was designated by state statute to be part of the Metropolitan Commuter Transportation District, which funds and provides for mass transportation services in the New York City metropolitan region through the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA); and

WHEREAS, since its enactment in 2009, the MTA payroll tax has imposed a serious financial burden on businesses and employers in the commuter region and, in particular Rockland County government and Rockland County corporations, private and independently owned companies, not-for-profit agencies, hospitals, school districts, and Rockland County taxpayers, having suffered the burden of 34 cents on every \$100.00 of payroll and a .34% tax on net earnings exceeding \$10,000.00 annually for self-employed Rockland County residents; and

WHEREAS, the MTA payroll tax has cost Rockland County government more than \$3.3 million since its creation and is anticipated to cost the County an additional \$556,595 in 2015; and

WHEREAS, this anti-job creation payroll tax has a crippling effect on residents within the Metropolitan Commuter Transportation District, particularly Rockland County's small business owners and taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, that should the state be unwilling to repeal the MTA payroll tax for the entire state or region, it should at least do so for the County of Rockland; and

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

RESOLVED, that the County of Rockland hereby requests the New York State Legislature and Governor to adopt legislation that will repeal the MTA payroll tax immediately; and be further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk to the Legislature be and 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, and Hon. James G. Skoufis, 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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Introduced by:  
Hon. Alden H. Wolfe, Sponsor

Referral No. 8055  
, 2015

**RESOLUTION NO.        OF 2015**  
**REQUESTING HOME RULE LEGISLATION IN THE NEW YORK STATE**  
**LEGISLATURE TO REPEAL THE METROPOLITAN**  
**TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (MTA) SUPPLEMENTAL VEHICLE**  
**REGISTRATION FEE AND OTHER ASSOCIATED FEES**

WHEREAS, Rockland County was designated by state statute to be part of the Metropolitan Commuter Transportation District, which funds and provides for mass transportation services in the New York City metropolitan region through the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA); and

WHEREAS; as part of a comprehensive budget package intended to bail out the MTA, a number of burdensome fees and taxes were enacted including the following: supplemental vehicle registration and licensing fees payable by all New York State drivers, increased fees on all taxicabs fares within the Metropolitan Commuter Transportation District, and an additional 5% tax on every passenger car rented within the Metropolitan Commuter Transportation District; and

WHEREAS, the MTA supplemental vehicle registration and licensing fees, payable by all NEW York State drivers with funds going to the MTA for services that may or not be utilized by the people paying the fees, has cost Rockland County motorists over \$35,000,000 since it was enacted in 2009 and will continue to cost them millions more a year unless these fees are eliminated by the New York State Legislature; and

WHEREAS, that should the state be unwilling to repeal the MTA supplemental vehicle registration and licensing fees as well as the other MTA related fees for the entire state or region, it should at least do so for the County of Rockland; and

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

RESOLVED, that the County of Rockland hereby requests the New York State Legislature and Governor to adopt legislation that will repeal the MTA supplemental vehicle registration and licensing fees as well as the other MTA related fees immediately; and be further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk to the Legislature be and 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, and Hon. James G. Skoufis, 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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