

**STRICKEN AS OF 8/7/2012**

Home Rule Message No. 4-2012  
Introduced by Legislator Schneiderman

Laid on Table 2/7/2012

**HOME RULE MESSAGE REQUESTING THE STATE OF NEW YORK TO AMEND THE TAX LAW, IN RELATION TO REQUIRING A REVENUE DISTRIBUTION AGREEMENT FOR EQUITABLE ALLOCATION WITHIN THE COUNTY OF SUFFOLK FOR PUBLIC SAFETY PURPOSES OF SALES AND COMPENSATING USE TAX (SENATE BILL S.2638 AND ASSEMBLY BILL A.3735)**

**WHEREAS**, New York State Tax Law allows Suffolk County to collect an additional one percent (1%) sales tax; and

**WHEREAS**, under the current state tax law, no less than one eighth (1/8) and no more than three eighths (3/8) of the net collections from this additional one percent tax is dedicated for public safety purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, historically, the Suffolk County Police District has received a disproportionate share of the sales tax revenue dedicated to public safety purposes while the towns and villages outside the Police District have been shortchanged; and

**WHEREAS**, New York State Tax Law should be amended to ensure that sales tax revenues dedicated for public safety are distributed in an equitable fashion; now, therefore, be it

**1st RESOLVED**, that this Legislature hereby supports Assembly Bill A.3735 and Senate Bill S.2638, which require the establishment of a separate fund for sales tax revenue dedicated for public safety purposes and the equitable and proportionate distribution of these monies to the Suffolk County Police District and the towns and villages located outside the boundaries of the Police District; and be it further

**2nd RESOLVED**, that the Clerk of this Legislature is hereby directed to forward copies of this Resolution to Governor Andrew M. Cuomo; to the Majority Leader of the New York State Senate Dean Skelos; to the Speaker of the New York State Assembly Sheldon Silver; to the Minority Leaders of the New York State Senate and the New York State Assembly; and to each member of the Long Island delegation to the New York State Legislature.

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