

**WITHDRAWN AS OF 2/7/2012**

Home Rule Message No. 3-2012  
Introduced by Legislator Schneiderman

Laid on Table 2/7/2012

**HOME RULE MESSAGE REQUESTING THE STATE OF  
NEW YORK TO ADOPT AN ACT TO AMEND THE SUFFOLK  
COUNTY TAX ACT, IN RELATION TO GIVING THE COUNTY  
TREASURER DISCRETION TO EXEMPT PENALTIES ON  
LATE REAL PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS (ASSEMBLY  
BILL NO. A.7065)**

**WHEREAS**, the Suffolk County Tax Act imposes a five percent penalty on all real property tax payments received after the tax due date; and

**WHEREAS**, no mechanism currently exists to waive the penalty for residents who can demonstrate that the late payment was due to extenuating circumstances; and

**WHEREAS**, legislation is pending in the New York State legislature that would empower the Suffolk County Treasurer to waive the penalty for late payment of taxes; now, therefore be it

**1st RESOLVED**, that this Legislature hereby supports New York State Assembly Bill No. A.7065 which would give the Suffolk County Treasurer discretion to waive penalties on late real property tax payments; 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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