

Resolution No. 228

Supervisor WALDRON offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING S.5509B/A.8489A
TO REVISE THE SHARING FORMULA FOR
WIRELESS E911 SURCHARGE MONIES**

WHEREAS, in 1991, the NYS Legislature enacted a statute that placed a monthly surcharge of 70 cents on each cell phone bill and that monthly surcharge was increased to \$1.20 per cell phone in 2002; and

WHEREAS, the allocation of said wireless surcharge monies collected by the State was intended to help defray the costs of operating and maintaining county 911 centers throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, counties now receive only a small portion of over \$2 million dollars collected from said surcharge by the State each year because the monies have been diverted to other state purposes; and

WHEREAS, S.5509-B/A.8489-A, as proposed, would require that 58.3% of E911 wireless surcharge funds must be used for grants or reimbursements to counties for the development, consolidation, or operation of public safety communications systems or networks designed to support interoperable communications for first responders, including Next Generation 911 and the remaining 41.7% would be used for miscellaneous state expenses; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby urges the State Legislature and Governor Cuomo to approve S.5509-B/A.8489-A that would revise the sharing formula for wireless E911 surcharges monies to ensure that local governments receive the funds necessary to upgrade 911 call centers and maintain emergency dispatch center operations in the name of public safety; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Governor Cuomo, Senator Hugh Farley, Assemblyman Marc Butler, New York State Association of Counties, All Counties, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor FAGAN and adopted by the following vote:

Total: Ayes: 19 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Supervisor Howard)

STATE OF NEW YORK }
COUNTY OF FULTON } ss:

I, Jon R. Stead, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Fulton County hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing resolution with the original resolution, adopted by the Board of Supervisors of said County, at a duly called and held meeting of said Board on the 11th day of JUNE 2012, and the same is a true and correct transcript therefrom and the whole thereof.

Witness my hand and official seal
this 11th day of JUNE 2012


Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Fulton County