

LOCAL LAW NO. "B" FOR 2016

A LOCAL LAW OF THE COUNTY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK, AMENDING THE ALBANY COUNTY CHARTER AND LOCAL LAW NO. 8 FOR 1993 AS SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED, FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCORPORATING THE CRIME VICTIM AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE CENTER INTO THE ALBANY COUNTY CHARTER

Introduced: 2/9/16

By Messrs. Clenahan, R. Joyce, A. Joyce, Ward, Beston, Ms. Chapman, Messrs. Clay, Commisso, Crouse, Domalewicz, Ethier, Feeney, Fein, Hogan, Mss. Lockhart, McKnight, Messrs. Mackey, Miller, Signoracci, Simpson, Smith, Touchette, Tunny, Ms. Willingham, Messrs. Bullock, Higgins, Mss. Lekakis, McLean Lane and Mr. Reinhardt:

PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 10 AND 33 OF THE MUNICIPAL HOME RULE LAW AND SECTION 2701 OF THE ALBANY COUNTY CHARTER:

BE IT ENACTED by the County Legislature of the County of Albany as follows:

SECTION 1. The Albany County Charter is hereby amended by the addition of a new Article 29 to read as follows:

**ARTICLE 29
CRIME VICTIM AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE CENTER**

Section 2901. Crime Victim and Sexual Violence Center; Director
2902. Powers and duties.

Section 2901. Crime and Sexual Violence Center; Director; appointment; qualifications. There shall be a Crime Victim and Sexual Violence Center headed by a Director. The Director of the Crime Victim and Sexual Violence Center shall be appointed by the County Executive, subject to confirmation by the County Legislature and serve at the pleasure of the County Executive.

Section. 2902. Powers and duties. The Director of the Crime Victim and Sexual Violence Center shall:

A. Be the head and chief administrative officer of the Crime Victim and Sexual Violence Center;

B. Have all powers and duties conferred on or required of a Director of the Crime Victim and Sexual Violence Center by this Charter, Executive Order of the County Executive, local law or resolution of the County Legislature,

or by applicable law not inconsistent with this Charter, which shall be necessary to enable him or her to manage and supervise the Crime Victim and Sexual Violence Center;

C. Manage, coordinate and supervise the Crime Victim and Sexual Violence Center's activities in providing:

- a. Support for Sexual Assault Victims;
- b. Court Advocacy and Assistance;
- c. Counseling for All Crime Victims;
- d. Educational Programs; and
- e. Any other programs that the Director sees fit to carry out the mission of the Crime Victim and Sexual Violence Center; and

D. Perform such other duties as may be required by the County Executive or the County Legislature.

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY. If any article, section, paragraph, phrase or sentence of this local law is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, that portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion hereof.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Local Law shall take effect immediately.

Referred to Law Committee. 2/9/16

On roll call vote the following voted in favor: Messrs. Beston, Bullock, Burgdorf, Ms. Chapman, Messrs. Clenahan, Commisso, Crouse, Ms. Cunningham, Messrs. Dawson, Domalewicz, Drake, Ethier, Feeney, Fein, Grimm, Higgins, Hogan, A. Joyce, R. Joyce, Mss. Lekakis, Lockart, Messrs. Mackey, Mauriello, Mayo, Mss. McKnight, McLean Lane, Messrs. Mendick, Miller, O'Brien, Signoracci, Simpson, Smith, Stevens, Touchette, Tunny, Ward and Ms. Willingham – 37.

Those opposed: – 0.

Local Law was adopted. 4/11/16