## **RESOLUTION NO. 45**

REQUESTING THE COMMISSIONER OF CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES TO RECONSIDER THE RATES TO PRESCHOOL RELATED SERVICE PROVIDERS

Introduced: 2/13/12

By Messrs. Ethier, Clenahan and Joyce:

WHEREAS, By correspondence dated December 16, 2011, the Commissioner of Children, Youth and Family Services notified Preschool Related Service Providers that the rates for preschool related services were being changed from \$55.00 to \$45.00 for services up to an hour and \$55.00 for an hour or more, and

WHEREAS, The contract service year runs from July through June, and

WHEREAS, The new rates were effective January 1, 2012 and did not provide sufficient notice to the providers to plan their 2012 budgets and will result in financial hardship to said preschool related service providers, and

WHEREAS, This Honorable Body feels that the Commissioner should reconsider this mid-year rate reduction, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Albany County Legislature requests that the Commissioner of Children, Youth and Family Services to reconsider the modification of the Preschool Related Service Provider rates and restore the rate to the prior rate, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

Referred to Audit and Finance Committee. 2/13/12