

RESOLUTION NO. 352

AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION REGARDING THE CRIMES AGAINST REVENUE PROGRAM

Introduced: 11/13/06
By Law Committee:

WHEREAS, The NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services has notified the District Attorney's Office that grant funding in the amount of \$85,000 is available to Albany County regarding the Crimes Against Revenue Program for the period July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008, and

WHEREAS, It was indicated that the Crimes Against Revenue grant would increase the Office's capacity to initiate investigations and, working in partnership with the State Police, State Department of Taxation and Finance, State Comptroller, Attorney General and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, to effectively prosecute those who violate various tax laws and deprive municipalities of the ability to fund essential services, and

WHEREAS, The program will attempt to improve voluntary compliance with sales tax laws by small businesses, stop the victimization of elderly and economically vulnerable citizens from unscrupulous businesses and professionals, prosecute financial crime associated with criminal enterprises and reclaim the revenue, and

WHEREAS, The District Attorney has requested authorization to submit the grant application to the Division of Criminal Justice Services regarding the Crimes Against Revenue Program, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to submit a grant application to the NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services pertaining to the Crimes Against Revenue Program in the amount of \$85,000 for the period July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said grant application as to form and content, 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.

Adopted by unanimous vote. 11/13/06