



Committee on Legislation

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Monday, May, 21, 2012

1:30 PM

Committee Chair: William Ryan

Committee Room, 148 Martine Avenue, 8th Floor, White Plains, NY 10601

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CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, D12 Legislator (Majority Whip) Mary Jane Shimsky called the meeting to order at 1:39 PM.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
William Ryan	Chair	Absent	
Gordon Burrows	D15 Legislator (Minority Whip)	Absent	
David Gelfarb	D6 Legislator	Present	
Peter Harckham	D2 Legislator (Majority Leader)	Present	
Michael Kaplowitz	D4 Legislator	Present	
James Maisano	D11 Legislator (Minority Leader)	Present	
Sheila Marcotte	D10 Legislator	Absent	
Virginia Perez	D17 Legislator	Absent	
Mary Jane Shimsky	D12 Legislator (Majority Whip)	Present	
Alfreda Williams	D8 Legislator	Present	
Kenneth W. Jenkins	Chair of the Board	Present	
Catherine Borgia	D9 Legislator	Present	

Others In Attendance: CEO: H. Miller, K. Delgado LAW: J. Castro-Blanco, E. Cipolla HRC: J. Duckett-Epps BOL: M. Gallagher, L. Goldstein, D. Gomez, M. Montalto

MINUTES APPROVAL

Monday, May 14, 2012 at 1:30 PM

With a motion by Legislator Harckham and seconded by Legislator Williams the item was approved with a vote of 5-0.

I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. **(ID # 5135) Local Law – Amendment to the Fair Housing Law:** An amendment to the Fair Housing Law of the Westchester County Human Rights Law in order to obtain full certification as substantially equivalent to the federal Fair Housing Act by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Jim Castro-Blanco of the Law Department presented the latest updated version of the bill, which has been approved by HUD. A brief discussion ensued. It was agreed that subsections C and E be switched.

With a motion by Legislator Jenkins and seconded by Legislator Williams the item was approved as amended with a vote of 7-0 with Legislators Maisano and Gelfarb voting without prejudice.

RESULT: SIGNED BY COMMITTEE

II. OTHER BUSINESS

Legislator Kaplowitz asked that the Committee discuss the five resolutions which were signed out by the Rules Committee earlier today for the purpose of clarification prior to this evening's Board meeting.

A discussion ensued. Legislator Jenkins stated that all of the documents needed for clarification are on the Board's agenda for this evening and he will make sure that all of the members present at the meeting receive copies. Further discussion ensued.

III. RECEIVE & FILE

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Legislator Harckham seconded by Legislator Jenkins the Committee on Legislation adjourned at 2:30 PM with a vote of 5-0.