

1 **NYSAC 2023 Legislative Conference**  
2 **Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs**  
3 **Resolution #3**

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5 **Resolution Applauding Governor Hochul for Increasing the Share of**  
6 **Revenue Counties Retain for Providing State DMV Services**

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8 **WHEREAS**, 51 of the 62 New York Counties are mandated by the State to operate a  
9 local Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) Office; and

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11 **WHEREAS**, under current law the State of New York takes 87.3 percent of all fees  
12 collected from the work performed by the county operated DMV's; and

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14 **WHEREAS**, the remaining 12.7 percent county share has not been increased since  
15 1999, yet the amount of work required by the local DMV offices has increased in that  
16 same time period; and

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18 **WHEREAS**, in recent years, increasingly, DMV fee transaction work has been moved  
19 online, and for transactions of this type counties receive little to no funding; and

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21 **WHEREAS**, the move to online transactions has not decreased the county DMV  
22 workload as the transactions selected for this are quick processing in nature, leaving the  
23 more difficult and often no fee workload to the county; and

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25 **WHEREAS**, this dichotomy of the State taking easier fee transactions online, while not  
26 sharing any of this with the county, has created an unnecessary and confusing campaign  
27 by which counties ask residents to consider going to the local DMV counter to ensure  
28 local spending stays local; and

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30 **WHEREAS**, it is inequitable when a county DMV provides all DMV services for our  
31 residents, including overhead and staffing, yet the State takes 87.3 percent of the  
32 revenue generated from these services; and

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34 **WHEREAS**, increasing the county DMV revenue over the counter or internet-based  
35 sharing rate from the State DMV will not result in any increased costs or fees to  
36 residents or taxpayers and will provide counties with revenue to support necessary local  
37 government services; and

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39 **WHEREAS**, for these reasons, NYSAC has made increasing county DMV fees a long-  
40 standing public policy request to the Governor and State Legislature.

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42 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the New York State Association of  
43 Counties (NYSAC) applauds Governor Kathy Hochul for proposing to increase the  
44 retention rate for county clerk offices that perform DMV transactions, from the current  
45 12.7 percent for in-office transactions and 3.25 percent for online transactions, to a flat  
46 10.75 percent for all transactions; and

1 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, as more transactions are shifting online, the  
2 proposed rate change is projected to increase revenue that is retained by counties by \$13  
3 million annually; and

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5 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, NYSAC encourages all of the members of the State  
6 Legislature to support this proposal throughout state budget negotiations so that it is  
7 contained in the final SFY 2024 State Budget; and

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9 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that copies of this resolution be sent to the counties  
10 of New York State and encourage them to enact similar resolutions; and

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12 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that NYSAC shall forward copies of this resolution to  
13 the Governor, the New York State Legislature and all others deemed necessary and  
14 proper.