

1 **2024 NYSAC Fall Seminar**
2 **Standing Committee on Public Safety**
3 **Resolution #6**

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5 **Resolution Urging the State of New York to Enact S.4583-A (Martinez) /**
6 **A.5942-A (Jean-Pierre) Amending the County Law, in Relation to the Next**
7 **Generation 911 System**
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9 **WHEREAS**, Next Generation 911 (commonly referred to as NG911) is a digital, internet
10 protocol (IP)-based system that will replace the analog 911 infrastructure that's been in
11 place for decades. It is expected that the FCC will soon mandate 911 Public Safety
12 Answering Point (PSAP), to support NG911; and

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14 **WHEREAS**, NG911 involves the latest 911 technology, including upgrades for
15 pinpointing the exact location of cell phone callers, translating text messages at a 911
16 PSAP, and ensuring counties have back up resources with other similar counties. NG 911
17 also requires an ESInet; and

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19 **WHEREAS**, while the technology to implement these new IP-based 911 systems is
20 available, the transition to NG911 involves much more than just new computer hardware
21 and software; and

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23 **WHEREAS**, implementing NG911 in states and counties nationwide will require the
24 coordination of resources and support of a variety of emergency communication, public
25 safety, legislative and governing entities; and

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27 **WHEREAS**, according to the Federal Government back in 2018- the cost to deploy
28 NG911 across the nation is estimated to be \$9.5 billion to \$12.7 billion. The full 10-year
29 complete lifecycle cost estimate to deploy and operate NG911 nationwide is between
30 \$13.5 billion and \$16.1 billion; and

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32 **WHEREAS**, the estimated price tag in New York State for NG 911 is expected to be
33 upwards of \$2 billion over the next 10 years. County 911 departments do not have the
34 adequate funding to take on the task of building their own ESInet and risk having a
35 patchwork system that does not properly follow the intent of NextGen 911 or provide the
36 necessary safety upgrades to the 911 system and the people of New York; and

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38 **WHEREAS**, today, 911 centers face a wide range of challenges, ranging from funding,
39 staffing issues, and high call volumes to helping people with special needs and the
40 proliferation of the use of new communications technologies and a adequate amount of
41 funding is necessary; and

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43 **WHEREAS**, **S.4583A (Martinez) A.5942A (Jean-Pierre)** would codify into law
44 the requirements for Next Generation 911 and require the state to build the Next

1 Generation Emergency Services Internet Protocol Network (ESINet) which is a network
2 capable of connecting calls, texts, and other forms of media from the public to 911
3 PSAPs.

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5 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the New York State Association of
6 Counties (NYSAC) urges the New York State Legislature and Governor Kathy Hochul to
7 enact S.4583-A (Martinez) / A.5942-A (Jean-Pierre) into law; and

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

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