

1 **2022 NYSAC Fall Seminar**
2 **Standing Committee on Public Safety**
3 **Resolution #4**

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5 **Resolution Urging the State to Provide Counties with Funding to**
6 **Administer the State’s New Gun Laws**

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8 **WHEREAS**, this year, the State Legislature drastically amended the eligibility criteria
9 of citizens seeking a concealed-carry permit, as well as the application process and
10 training for the same; and

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12 **WHEREAS**, the responsibility of processing these applications and doing the required,
13 now expanded, background investigations that are predicate to the award of a license
14 falls largely on sheriffs’ offices and county clerks’ offices; and

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16 **WHEREAS**, there is an anticipated increase in volume of applications for such licenses
17 in the wake of the Supreme Court’s decision requiring that New York State’s licensing
18 regime be based solely on objective criteria; and

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20 **WHEREAS**, this anticipated increase will only be compounded by the new licensing
21 requirements for semi-automatic rifles.

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23 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the New York State Association of
24 Counties (NYSAC) calls on the State of New York to provide funding to support these
25 new responsibilities that fall entirely upon county government entities; and

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27 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, funding would be used to hire more staff and related
28 technology for sheriffs’ offices pistol permit processing divisions and clerks’ offices that
29 handle the cataloguing and amendment of permits; and

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

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