RESOLUTION NO. 464(2013)

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES TO EVALUATE THE POTENTIAL BENEFITS TO TAXPAYERS BY USING COUNTY RESOURCES TO PROVIDE CERTAIN CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES

Introduced: 10/15/13
By Ms. McLean Lane, Messrs. Beston, Bullock, Ms. Chapman, Messrs. Clenahan, Commisso, Ms. Connolly, Messrs. Corcoran, Cotrofeld, Ethier, Feeney, Jacobson, Joyce, Ms. Kinsch, Messrs. Mackey, Mayo, Morse, O'Brien, Rahm, Reilly, Ms. Maffia-Tobler, Social Services Committee and Ms. McKnight:

WHEREAS, During these extremely difficult budgetary times, it is in the best interest of all Albany County residents to make sure that Albany County is using all of its resources in the most cost effective and efficient manner possible, and

WHEREAS, The Department of Social Services is required to provide services pertaining to child support and the Department currently contracts with private providers to accomplish those requirements, and

WHEREAS, Among the services that are contracted out include the preparation of legal documents and the function of making certain that individuals are given appropriate notice to appear in court, both services are capable of being provided through County departments, and

WHEREAS, It is the desire of this Honorable Body that every function within the County is handled as cost effectively as possible, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Department of Social Services is requested to evaluate the potential benefits of providing the aforementioned legal services through the County Attorney's Office and the process serving of appropriate notice through a County Department such as the Sheriff's Department or the Probation Department, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Department of Social Services is requested to review the aforementioned and to report the findings as expeditiously as possible, but in no event, more than 90 days from the passage of this Resolution, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to appropriate County Officials.

Referred to Social Services Committee. 10/15/13
Adopted by unanimous vote. 2/10/14