

RESOLUTION NO. 207

**REQUESTING THE ALBANY COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
ESTABLISH A REAL PROPERTY TAX AMNESTY PROGRAM**

Introduced: 6/8/09

By Ms. Benedict, Messrs. Clouse, Mendick, Hoblock, Ms. Lockart, Messrs. Carman and Tunny:

WHEREAS, Albany County is projecting a deficit of more than \$20 million for the 2009 fiscal year, and

WHEREAS, The County Executive has requested the County Legislature's assistance in finding ways to help address the County's deficit, and

WHEREAS, There are thousands of properties in Albany County owing delinquent taxes and collecting these taxes can be a long, costly and complex process, and

WHEREAS, Real property tax amnesty programs have been successful in collecting delinquency tax revenue, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Albany County Real Property Tax Agency is hereby requested to research and report on the feasibility of a Real Property Tax Amnesty Program and shall report back to the Albany County Legislature no later than 30 days from the adoption 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 the appropriate County Officials.

Referred to Audit and Finance Committee. 6/8/09

Withdrawn by sponsors. 6/24/09