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To: Hon. Norma Gonsalves, Presiding Officer
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All Members of the Nassau County Legislature

From: Maurice Chalmers, Director
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Date: August 4, 2017

Re: Clerk Item 311-17

Attached is a copy of the Fiscal Impact Statement for Clerk Item 311-17, which is on the Legislative Calendar for the August 7, hearing.

311-17: A Local Law to amend the Nassau County Administrative Code in relation to screening and fingerprinting of applicants to the Nassau County Society for Prevention of cruelty to animals.



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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT
ITEM 311-17**

TITLE:

A Local Law amending the Nassau County Administrative Code in relation to screening and fingerprinting of applicants to the Nassau County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION:

The proposed legislation would authorize the Nassau County Police Department (NCPD) and the Nassau County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (NCSPCA) to obtain fingerprints of applicants, who would act in the capacity of peace officers, for appointment in the NCSPCA. The NCPD and the NCSPCA would conduct fingerprint criminal history checks on applicants and the NCSPCA would submit the fingerprints for review, with the appropriate processing fee, to the New York State Division of Criminal Justice. Previously, the Commanding Officer of the Applicant Investigation Unit of the NCPD would be responsible for this review. NCSPCA would also bear the cost of the processing fee for the fingerprint criminal history check conducted by the Nassau County Police Department.

EFFECTIVE DATE:

This proposed legislation would take effect immediately.

FISCAL IMPACT:

According to the NCSPCA, there are currently 10 peace officers on staff. While the NCSPCA bears the cost of the processing fee; the cost of performing the criminal history review, \$3,500 including fringe benefits and indirect costs per applicant, which is conducted by the Nassau County Police Department will continue to be absorbed by the County. Due to the relatively few people requiring these services, possibly one or two applicants a year, and the infrequency that these services are requested, the cost to the County is minor.

SOURCE: Nassau County Police Department
Nassau County Society for the Prevention and Cruelty to Animals

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