

LOCAL LAW INTRO. NO. -2008

A LOCAL LAW amending the Laws of Westchester County to establish a program to reimburse owners of certain parcels for costs associated with routine septage removal and inspection services relative to separate sewage disposal systems.

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 237 of the Laws of Westchester County is hereby amended by adding a new Section 237.311, entitled “Septage removal and inspection reimbursement; unsewered parcels” to read as follows:

Sec. 237.311. Septage removal and inspection reimbursement; unsewered parcels.

The Commissioner shall establish a program pursuant to which owners of parcels of land located within any County sewer district which are not connected to the public sanitary sewer may be reimbursed for the costs associated with routine septage removal and inspection services for the separate sewage disposal systems located on such parcels. The Commissioner shall promulgate rules and regulations as may be necessary to outline program parameters and procedures in accordance with regularly accepted system maintenance standards and as may otherwise be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this section. The rules and regulations of the Commissioner shall include, but not be limited to, provisions establishing the maximum monetary reimbursement amounts for routine septage removal and inspection services. The total amount of reimbursement for each parcel shall not exceed the actual amount of costs incurred by owners covered by this section for such routine septage removal and inspection services, or the maximum monetary reimbursement amounts established by the Commissioner pursuant to this

section, whichever is less. Each parcel shall be eligible to receive such reimbursement once every three (3) years for septage removal services and once every six (6) years for inspection services.

Section 2. Subdivision 1. of Section 237.211 of the Laws of Westchester County is hereby amended to read as follows:

1. The County Board shall each year before the levy of taxes adopt a budget for the ensuing calendar year for any such district heretofore or hereafter established or created, which shall give the estimated charges to be made against such district, including the funds necessary to pay the district's share of the costs of maintaining, repairing and operating in whole or in part the County outlet sewers and/or disposal plants caring for the sewage and the costs of reimbursing owners of parcels in accordance with the program established under the provisions of section 237.311 of this article among the districts, and to reimburse the county for the payment of principal of and interest on obligations issued for the benefit of any such district. Any balance remaining in any such budget shall be credited to the succeeding budget.

Section 3. This Local Law shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall have become a law and shall expire and be deemed repealed six years after such date.