

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION
MINUTES: March 13, 2006

LEGISLATION

MEMBERS:

Chair: Young; Legislators: Oros, Burrows, Myers, Rogowsky, Bronz, Abinanti, Stewart-Cousins

IN ATTENDANCE:

CEO: B. Randolph, A. Neuman; **CA:** E. Cipollo, B. McGrath; **IT:** N. Jacknis, S. Fernquist; **DOCP:** J. Gaccione; **BOL:** S. Bass, B. Bochow; **GUESTS:** R. MacLaughlin

With a quorum present, the Committee on Legislation was called to order at 1:37 p.m.

MINUTES

(Burrows,Myers) Move to approve the minutes of February 27, 2006.

SECURING INTERNET NETWORK SERVICES

Information Technology Commissioner Norm Jacknis and Andrew Neuman of the County Executive's Office, presented the local law requiring all commercial businesses in Westchester offering public internet services to have a secure network to protect the public from identity theft.

The law will require a sign be posted at businesses that provide public internet access. This will let consumers know that they are using a secure network. Legislator Stewart-Cousins suggested the dimensions of the signage should be included in the committee report. Legislator Rogowsky suggested that language be added which will recommend how to best protect an individual's information. Inspectors will make sure the sign is in a visible place.

Changes in the language to section 863.1202 were discussed to make it clear that the law will require all commercial businesses which keep personal information electronically, to have the proper security. The legislation should also include all businesses which offer public internet access.

Chairman Young asked that the recommended changes be made to the legislation so the Committee could vote on the measure at next Monday's committee meeting. The Chairman asked that committee members be provided a copy of the bill to review in advance.

(Burrows, Myers) move to adjourn The Committee on Legislation.
Motion passed 8-0. Committee on Legislation adjourned at 2:19 p.m.