

Greene County Legislature 411 Main Street

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MOTION TO ADOPT

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Motion To Adopt Local Law Number 2 Of 2023 Adjusting The Weighted Vote Of The Greene County Legislature

March 15th, 2023

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Motion was made by Legislator Martinez

Seconded by Legislators Davis and Hobart

ROLL CALL VOTE:

(10,000)
Ayes 14 Noes 0 Absent 0 CARRIED.

Local Law Number 2 of 2023

A Local Law Adjusting the Weighted Vote of the Greene County Legislature.

BE IT ENACTED by the County Legislature of the County of Greene as follows:

Section 1. Legislative Intent

It is the intent of the Greene County Legislature by this local law to adjust the weighted vote of the individual members of the Greene County Legislature to reflect the results of the 2020 United States Federal census.

Section 2. Legislative Authority

This local law is enacted pursuant to the provisions of Section 10(1)(i)(i)(a)(13) of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

Section 3. Weighted Vote of the Greene County Legislature

- (a) The population to be utilized in adjusting the votes of the Greene County Legislature shall be the 2020 United States Federal census exclusive of those persons incarcerated in state correctional institutions and facilities located within Greene County.
- (b) The weighted voting calculations shall be based upon the 2022 Greene County Weighted Vote Recalculation Report prepared for Greene County by the Research Foundation for the State University of New York through the Benjamin Center of SUNY New Paltz, dated September 14, 2022. The Weighted Vote Recalculation Report utilizes the Banzhaf Power Index for the recommended adjustment of weighted votes.
- (c) For purposes of this local law the 2020 population and the weighted voting system for

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Greene County shall be as follows:

| GREENE | COUNTY LEGIS | SLATURE: 202 | 20 POPULATIO | N AND WEIG | HTED VOTES | | |
|---|--|--------------|--------------|---------------------------|---|-----------------------|------------------------|
| District | Municipalities | Members | Population | Population/ Legislator | Population Proportion/ Legislator | Weighted# of Votes | Weighted Vote Total |
| 1 | Catskill | 4 | 11341 | 2835.25 | 6.18% | 618 | 2472 |
| 2 | Coxsackie | 2 | 6237 | 3118.50 | 6.80% | 680 | 1360 |
| 3 | Athens | 1 | 3924 | 3924 | 8.56% | 856 | 856 |
| 4 | Greenville | 1 | 3745 | 3745 | 8.17% | 817 | 817 |
| 5 | New Baltimore | 1 | 3227 | 3227 | 7.04% | 704 | 704 |
| 6 | Prattsville, Ashland, Windham, Jewett | 1 | 4044 | 4044 | 8.82% | 878 | 878 |
| 7 | Halcott, Lexington, Hunter | 1 | 4057 | 4057 | 8.85% | 878 | 878 |
| 8 | Cairo | 2 | 6652 | 3326 | 7.25% | 725 | 1450 |
| 9 | Durham | 1 | 2628 | 2628 | 5.73% | 585 | 585 |
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Section 4. Effect on Prior Local Law(s)

This local law shall supersede any prior local laws.

Section 5. **Severability**

If any section, subdivision, paragraph, subparagraph, clause, term, or part thereof is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent portion and such shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion thereof.

Section 6. **Effective Date**

This local law is subject to referendum on petition pursuant to Municipal Home Rule Law Section 24(2)(j). This local law shall take effect 45 days after its adoption pursuant to Municipal Home Rule Law Section 24(1), subject to the provisions thereof.

Updated: 3/16/2023 9:25 AM by Tammy L. Sciavillo C