Finance Committee: 11-24-2003

RESOLUTION NO. <u>311-2003</u>

ADOPTING PROPOSED LOCAL LAW D (NO. 3) FOR THE YEAR 2003 TRUTH IN TAXATION ACT OF 2003

By Mr. Nichols, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, Section 922 of the Real Property Tax Law allows the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators to set the format of the Town and County tax bill, and

WHEREAS, a public hearing has been held on this local law,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Local Law D (No. $\underline{3}$) for the Year 2003, Truth in Taxation Act of 2003, is hereby adopted.

PROPOSED LOCAL LAW D (NO. 3) FOR THE YEAR 2003, TRUTH IN TAXATION ACT OF 2003

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Legislators of St. Lawrence County as follows:

- Section 1. Section 922 of the Real Property Tax Law provides the form and content of the town and county tax bill to be mailed by the collecting officer in each town and the City of Ogdensburg showing the amount of taxes due on each property.
- Section 2. The St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators desires to show the true costs of county government for Medicaid expenses, which are mandated by the State of New York, yet not reimbursed by said state.
- Section 3. Pursuant to Section 922 of the Real Property Tax Law, the County tax rate for 2004 and continuing shall be separated into two parts; one for the general county budget and the second for unreimbursed Medicaid expenses.
- Section 4. This local law shall take effect upon filing in the Office of the Secretary of State as provided by Section 27 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

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Mr. Nichols moved to adopt Resolution No. 311-2003, seconded by Ms. Cobb. Mr. Nichols said that this is an opportunity to remind people that we, as well as other counties, are being pushed to pay for mandated services by New York State. He said that Medicaid has gone up continuously for the last four years. Resolution No. 311-2003 carried unanimously by a roll call vote.