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**TO:** St. Lawrence County Legislators and Other Interested People  
**FROM:** Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
**DATE:** June 24, 2022  
**SUBJECT:** **SPECIAL BOARD MEETING AGENDA**

Attached is a copy of the agenda for the Special Board Meeting of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators on **Monday, June 27, 2022**, in the Legislative Board Room.

When any reference is made to any contracts not set forth in the agenda, the original documents are available for inspection by any and all persons and are filed in the Clerk of the Board of Legislators' Office.

Order of Business:

- I. Call to Order
- II. Suspension of the Rules
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Approval of the Agenda
- V. Presentation of Resolutions
- VI. Chair's Appointments
- VII. Adjournment

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June 27, 2022

Services Committee: 6-20-2022

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**OPPOSING ASSEMBLY BILL A.7919 AND SENATE BILL S.3908, “AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATE FINANCE LAW, THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW, THE PUBLIC AUTHORITIES LAW, AND THE HIGHWAY LAW, IN RELATION TO ENACTING THE NEW YORK STATE BUY AMERICAN SALT ACT”**

By Mr. Lightfoot, Chair, Services Committee

Co-Sponsored by **Mr. Reagen, District 1; Mr. Sheridan, District 4; Mr. Smithers, District 5; Mr. Acres, District 8; Ms. Haggard, District 10; and Ms. Curran, District 15**

**WHEREAS**, Assembly Bill A.7919 and Senate Bill S.3908 enacts the New York State Buy American Salt Act to ensure all rock salt, or sodium chloride, used or supplied in the performance of a government contract or any subcontract within the State shall be mined or hand harvested in the United States, and

**WHEREAS**, the passage of the Bills could cause economic suffering and job loss in the City of Ogdensburg, and will result in the reduction of International Longshoremen’s Association jobs at the Port of Ogdensburg, as well as a reduction in jobs by local trucking companies, and

**WHEREAS**, eighty-percent (80%) of income to the Port of Ogdensburg comes from businesses associated with importing rock salt from Canada, and

**WHEREAS**, a plentiful and steady supply of rock salt is needed in St. Lawrence County throughout the fall, winter, and oftentimes into spring, and a constriction of supply or increase in the cost poses a direct danger to the roads and safety of travelers, and

**WHEREAS**, with inflation, there is additional concerns that prohibiting the purchase of imported rock salt will cause a premium to local governments, as well others who need it such as hospitals, colleges, nursing homes, and factories,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Board of Legislators oppose Assembly Bill A.7919 and Senate Bill S.3908, “An Act to Amend the State Finance Law, the General Municipal Law, the Public Authorities Law, and the Highway Law, in relation to Enacting the New York State Buy American Salt Act,”

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Katherine Hochul, Senator Joseph Griffo, Senator Patricia Ritchie, Senator Dan Stec, Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush, Assemblyman Billy Jones, Assemblyman Robert Smullen, Assemblyman Mark Walczyk, Executive Director Steven Lawrence, OBPA, and Board Chair Vernon Burns, OBPA.

*Note: Changes made at committee are reflected in bold.*