

1 **2025 NYSAC Legislative Conference**  
2 **Standing Committee on Native American Affairs & Gaming**  
3 **Resolution # 1**

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5 **Resolution Calling on the State to Equitably Distribute Gaming Revenue to**  
6 **all New York Counties and to Make Whole Counties Impacted by the State’s**  
7 **Gaming Revenue Changes**  
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9 **WHEREAS**, in recent years the State has altered the commercial gaming industry with  
10 actions such as legalizing mobile sports betting and reducing the gaming tax on selected  
11 commercial casinos; and

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13 **WHEREAS**, soon more changes will occur that impact the State’s gaming revenue  
14 System, including the license bids for up to three more downstate private casinos as well  
15 as the State negotiating a new compact with the Seneca Nation in Western New York;  
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18 **WHEREAS**, the license rights from new downstate casinos will likely generate billions  
19 of dollars in new revenue for the State of New York, none of which is scheduled at this  
20 time to be shared with the local governments; and

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22 **WHEREAS**, the State’s current gaming revenue sharing system brings hundreds of  
23 millions of dollars to local governments and has become crucial funding in support of  
24 local government services; and

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26 **WHEREAS**, the need for local government funding support is especially important in  
27 areas with recently created private casinos where infrastructure needs such as road  
28 maintenance, public safety and public health services all increased; and

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30 **WHEREAS**, the recent and future changes directly impact the current local  
31 government revenue-sharing system within certain regions; and

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33 **WHEREAS**, any gaming revenue disruption to this sharing system directly impacts a  
34 local government’s ability to provide crucial services.

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36 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the New York State Association of  
37 Counties (NYSAC) calls on the State to make a permanent annual appropriation to offset  
38 any local funding decrease that results from the State’s private casino tax reductions;  
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41 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, NYSAC calls on the State to make a permanent  
42 annual appropriation to offset any local funding decrease that results from major  
43 gaming statewide changes such as mobile sports betting, private casino expansion, and  
44 the resulting compact negotiations with the Seneca Nation; and

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46 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that copies of this resolution be sent to the counties  
47 of New York State encouraging member counties to enact a similar resolution; and

1 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that NYSAC shall forward copies of this resolution to  
2 Governor Kathy Hochul, the New York State Legislature and all others deemed  
3 necessary and proper.