

GOVERNMENT SERVICES & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE  
OF THE  
DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Thursday, May 7, 2026, 6:10 p.m.

Committee Vice Chair Shah called the committee to order at 8:01 p.m.

PRESENT: 11            SHAH, VALDÉS SMITH, ATKINS, MUNN, POLASEK, REDL,  
METZGER, DRAGO, GILES, LAWLER, TRESCA

ABSENT: 1            KEARNEY

PRESENT/LATE: 0

QUORUM PRESENT

**Presentations and Reports**

None.

**Privilege of the Floor with respect to printed agenda items**

Dana Gavin of Poughkeepsie spoke in favor of Resolution 89 as a generative AI scholar.

Laura Murphy of Poughkeepsie spoke in favor of Resolution 89 on behalf of (organization).

**Resolutions considered out of numerical order will be placed in numerical order for fluidity**

**2026088** Local Law No. \_\_\_\_ of 2026 Amending Local Law No. 2 of 2024 Regulating Hazardous Pollution Sources in Proximity to Public Water Supply Sources, Aquifers and Wetlands

Moved by Majority Leader Atkins, seconded by Assistant Majority Leader Munn.

Discussion: Leader Munn spoke briefly on the nature of the Local Law.

Leader Metzger spoke in favor of the Local Law.

The Government Services and Administration Committee unanimously advanced the foregoing Resolution, with Legislator Kearney absent.

Assistant Majority Leader Munn requested a 5-minute caucus at 8:07pm.

The Committee reconvened at 8:12pm.

**2026089** Resolution of the Dutchess County Legislature Establishing the Standing Committee on Artificial Intelligence and Technology Oversight

Moved by Majority Leader Atkins, seconded by Assistant Majority Leader Munn.

Discussion: Leader Munn spoke in favor of the Resolution as the author.

Legislator Lawler spoke in favor of the Resolution.

Leader Metzger spoke in favor of oversight on issues related to AI, but expressed skepticism of whether a new committee was the necessary or appropriate way to achieve that necessary.

Legislator Brendli spoke in favor of the Resolution.

Legislature Chair Valdes Smith spoke in favor of the Resolution, referencing recent news of a plan to build an AI data center in East Fishkill and arguing that action is needed now.

Leader Metzger reiterated his support for oversight but skepticism on forming a new committee.

Leader Polasek expressed concern about transparency due to the short time on the agenda online.

Leader Munn noted that there was no such concern on any of the other Resolutions already voted on tonight.

Legislator Drago thanked the members of the public who saw the Resolution online and came to voice their support.

Leader Atkins spoke in favor of the Resolution.

Leader Metzger moved to postpone the Resolution to the June agenda, seconded by Leader Polasek.

Discussion: None.

A roll-call vote was called

AYES: 4                      GILES, METZGER, POLASEK, TRESKA

NAYS: 7                      ATKINS, DRAGO, LAWLER, MUNN, REDL, SHAH, VALDES SMITH

ABSENT: 1                    ALEXANDER

Motion failed.

On the Resolution, a roll-call vote was called

AYES: 10                    ATKINS, DRAGO, LAWLER, METZGER, MUNN, POLASEK, REDL,  
SHAH, TRESKA, VALDES SMITH

NAYS: 1                    GILES

ABSENT: 1                ALEXANDER

There being no further business, Committee Vice Chair Shah adjourned the Committee meeting at 8:31 p.m.