

**RESOLUTION  
STEUBEN COUNTY LEGISLATURE  
BATH, NEW YORK**

DATE APPROVED : 09/26/2022 INTRO. NO. : 26-25  
PERM. NO. : 197-22 INTRO. DATE: 09/26/2022

INTRO. BY : S. Van Etten SECONDED BY : R. Nichols

**VOTE:**

ROLL CALL	<u>X</u>	YES		AMENDED		LOST	
ADOPTED	<u>X</u>	NO	<u>1084</u>	TABLED		W/DRWN	
ACCLAMATION		ABSTN'D		POSTPONED			
		ABSENT	<u>605</u>	REF'D/COM			

**COMMITTEES:**

         Y:          N:          Y:          N:          Y:          N:         

**TITLE: OPPOSING THE CONCEALED CARRY IMPROVEMENT ACT (CCIA).**

**WHEREAS**, On July 1, 2022 Kathy Hochul, the Governor of New York State signed into law the Concealed Carry improvement Act (CCIA) that was drafted in close collaboration with the New York State Legislature; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor and the Legislature surreptitiously rushed bills S.51001 and A.41001 through to passage under a message of necessity and during an 'extraordinary session' bypassing the traditional rules and procedures of the legislature; and

**WHEREAS**, many of the provisions of the new law that went into effect on September 1, 2022, place unprecedented and overtly restrictive conditions on applying for, obtaining, utilizing, maintaining and recertifying a conceal carry permit for personal protection and other legal uses as clearly provided for in the Constitution of the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor and the Legislature left the county level courts, law enforcement, County Legislatures/Boards of Supervisors and County Clerk offices completely in the dark regarding the changes that would be forced upon the local licensing authorities; and

**WHEREAS**, Steuben County has a strong history of supporting lawful citizens in their individual realization of 'Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness' and that Steuben County recognizes that these are essential elements of this uniquely free nation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Steuben County Legislature also recognizes and respects the inherent right of our private citizens to 'keep and bear arms' as a means of personal protection; and

**WHEREAS**, Steuben County also recognizes the self-evident truth that individuals who seek to apply for a pistol permit are not the problem with regard to New York's gun violence; and

**WHEREAS**, the newly enacted Concealed Carry Improvement Act presents procedural roadblocks in the form of privacy violations, subjective standards, financial burdens and overt restrictions on individuals seeking to exercise a fundamental right.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, the Steuben County Legislature vehemently, adamantly and with full resolve opposes the ill-advised provisions of the Concealed Carry Improvement Act and we consider many portions of the new law to be a gross violation of the United States Constitution and contrary to the recent Supreme Court decision, New York State Rifle and Pistol Association, Inc. v. Bruen; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, Steuben County will work with other counties through our various county associations to demand full repeal of the Concealed Carry Improvement Act as being unjust, ineffective, vague and unconstitutional; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, the Steuben County Legislature calls upon all other municipalities within the State of New York and any and all advocates for freedom and liberty to challenge this law by any means possible as unconstitutional and an unsubstantiated attack on lawful citizens; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, the Clerk of the Legislature shall forward copies of this resolution to New York State Governor Kathy Hochul, New York State Capitol Building, Albany, NY 12224; Senator Thomas F. O'Mara, Room 406 Legislative Office Building, Albany, NY 12247; Assemblyman Philip A. Palmesano, Room 448 Legislative Office Building, Albany, NY 12248; Assemblywoman Marjorie Byrnes, Legislative Office Building Room 723, Albany, NY 12248; Assemblyman Joseph M. Giglio, 525 Legislative Office Building, Albany, NY 12248; Assembly Carl Heastie, Speaker, 902 Legislative Office Building, Albany, NY 12248; Senator Andrea Stewart-Cousins, Senate Majority Leader, 907 Legislative Office Building, Albany, NY 12247; Inter-County Association of Western New York, c/o Genesee County Legislature, 7 Main Street, Batavia, NY 14020, and the New York State Association of Counties, 515 Broadway Suite 402, Albany, NY 12207.

STATE OF NEW YORK)

ss.:

COUNTY OF STEUBEN)

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Steuben County Legislature, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY**, that the foregoing is a copy of a resolution duly adopted by said County Legislature while in session in the Legislative Chambers in the Village of Bath, New York, September 26, 2022; that it is a correct transcript therefrom and of the whole of said original.

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the said County Legislature at Bath, New York, September 27, 2022.

  
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