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Ulster County Lawmakers Propose **“Ulster-Unwired”** Part of the e-Ulster initiative

Administrative Services Committee Chairman Brian Cahill announces the creation of a County-wide wireless internet access system

Kingston, New York: The Ulster County Legislature’s Administrative Services Committee has announced that they have sent requests for information to Wireless Internet Service providers to create a County-wide wireless internet access system. Committee Chairman Brian Cahill (D-Ulster) and committee member Robert Parete (D-Olive) have proposed this idea as a key aspect of the recently enacted e-Ulster initiative.

Wireless internet access communities are emerging throughout the nation, particularly in rural areas like Ulster where high speed internet access is extremely limited. Committee Chairman Cahill said, “Developing a high speed, affordable, wireless, internet access infrastructure has proven to be a key economic development tool. Many companies can not relocate or build in an area that does not provide what has become a necessary tool for business.”

Majority Whip Robert Parete states, “As a resident of the Town of Olive, I can personally express the frustration many residents feel as a result of not having adequate high speed internet connection available. In addition, this initiative will facilitate greater capability and access to create the conditions that allow businesses to be more competitive. At the same time, this plan will encourage and expand commerce of all scopes to compete in the global market.”

The Administrative Services Committee will compile information and solicit opinions and ideas from local governments and industry experts to determine the most effective means of implementing this initiative.