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SCHENECTADY COUNTY LEGISLATURE ADVANCES EMERGENCY PANDEMIC TAX RELIEF PACKAGE

(Schenectady, NY) The Schenectady County Legislature reported 3 resolutions out of committee to provide immediate property tax relief to residents of Schenectady County at their meeting on Monday, April 6. Two of the resolutions would cancel the first 3 months of interest on property taxes payable to the County. Additionally, the third resolution would delay County tax foreclosures until 2021. The resolutions will be taken up by the full legislature at the next meeting, scheduled for Tuesday, April 14, 2020.

"The County is committed to helping families and businesses get through these difficult times." **said Jeff McDonald, Vice-Chair of the Schenectady County Legislature.** "The last thing anyone should be worried about right now is losing a home or businesses through tax foreclosure."

The Schenectady County Emergency Pandemic Tax Relief Package will provide immediate relief to County residents and business owners living through the steepest economic downturn in American history.

"We recognize that the COVID-19 pandemic has affected everyone in some way," **said McDonald.** "While many residents are out of work and businesses are closed, Schenectady County won't penalize them for paying for necessities before their property taxes."

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