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County City Town Village
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of Shawangunk, Ulster County, New York

Local Law No. 1 of the year 20²⁵

A local law Extension of Partial Real Property Tax Exemption for Volunteer Firefighters and Volunteer
(Insert Title)
Ambulance Service Workers

Be it enacted by the Town Board of the
(Name of Legislative Body)

County City Town Village
(Select one.)

of Shawangunk as follows:

See attached.

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TOWN OF SHAWANGUNK
LOCAL LAW #1 OF 2025 ENTITLED EXTENSION OF PARTIAL
REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR VOLUNTEER
FIREFIGHTERS AND VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE SERVICE WORKERS

BE IT ENACTED by the Town Board of the Town of Shawangunk ("Town"), in the County of Ulster, State of New York, as follows:

This local law amends Chapter 159 of the Code of the Town by amending Article VI, Section 159-10 (Town of Shawangunk Local Law #2 of 2024) as follows:

Section 1. Purpose.

The state Real Property Tax Law was amended by Chapter 670 of the Laws of 2022 by the addition of a new §466-a providing for a ten percent partial real property tax exemption of the assessed value of the primary residence owned by a qualified enrolled member of an incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated volunteer ambulance service that serves the Town. The Town enacted the same by Local Law 2 of 2024. The intent of this Local Law is to opt in to the recently enacted Real Property Tax Law Section 466-1 (Chapter 372 of the Laws of 2024) which allows municipalities to extend the partial exemption to qualified volunteers who serve in neighboring jurisdictions outside of the Town of Shawangunk, NY and thereby, to sustain and increase volunteerism in those essential organizations.

Section 2. Authority.

This local law is adopted pursuant to Real Property Tax Law §466-1 and also is authorized by the Municipal Home Rule Law, the Statute of Local Governments, Article 9 of the NYS Constitution and other applicable authority.

Section 3. Grant of Exemption.

The primary residential real property located in the Town that is owned by a qualified, enrolled member of an incorporated volunteer fire company, volunteer fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service that provides services within the Town or to a neighboring jurisdiction shall be exempt from taxation and assessments levied by the Town to the extent of ten percent (10%) of the assessed value of such property, exclusive of special assessments, subject to the requirements set for in this local law.

Section 4. Eligibility, Lifetime Exemption, Spousal Exemption, Application Requirements.

All of these matters shall remain as per Local Law #2 of 2024.

Section 5. No Diminution of Benefits.

No applicant who is a volunteer firefighter or volunteer ambulance worker who by reason of such status is receiving any benefit under the provisions of Article 4 of the Real Property Tax Law on the effective date of this Local Law shall suffer any diminution of such benefit because of the provisions of this Local Law.

Section 6. Separability.

If any provision of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person or circumstance be adjudged invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall be confined in its operation to the part or provision or application directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered and shall not affect or impair the vailidity of the remainder of this Local Law or the application thereof to other persons or circumstances, and the Town Board of the Town of Shawangunk hereby declares that it would have passed this Local Law or the remainder thereof had such invalid application or invalid provision been apparent.

Section 7. Effective Date.

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

BE IT ENACTED THIS 20TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2025 BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF SHAWANGUNK, COUNTY OF ULSTER, STATE OF NEW YORK

KENNETH J. RONK JR., SUPERVISOR
ADRIAN M. DEWITT, COUNCILMAN
BRIAN AMTHOR, COUNCILMAN
ALEX DANON, COUNCILMAN
JOSEPH E. LOCICERO, COUNCILMAN



(Complete the certification in the paragraph that applies to the filing of this local law and strike out that which is not applicable.)

1. (Final adoption by local legislative body only.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. 1 of 2025 of the ~~(County)(City)(Town)(Village)~~ of Shawangunk, NY was duly passed by the Town Board on February 20, 2025, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.
(Name of Legislative Body)

2. (Passage by local legislative body with approval, no disapproval or repassage after disapproval by the Elective Chief Executive Officer*.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the ~~(County)(City)(Town)(Village)~~ of _____ was duly passed by the _____ on _____ 20____, and was (approved)(not approved) *(Name of Legislative Body)* (repassed after disapproval) by the _____ and was deemed duly adopted *(Elective Chief Executive Officer*)* on _____ 20 , in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

3. (Final adoption by referendum.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the ~~(County)(City)(Town)(Village)~~ of _____ was duly passed by the _____ on _____ 20____, and was (approved)(not approved) *(Name of Legislative Body)* (repassed after disapproval) by the _____ on _____ 20____. *(Elective Chief Executive Officer*)*

Such local law was submitted to the people by reason of a (mandatory)(permissive) referendum, and received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors voting thereon at the (general)(special)(annual) election held on _____ 20____, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

4. (Subject to permissive referendum and final adoption because no valid petition was filed requesting referendum.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the ~~(County)(City)(Town)(Village)~~ of _____ was duly passed by the _____ on _____ 20____, and was (approved)(not approved) *(Name of Legislative Body)* (repassed after disapproval) by the _____ on _____ 20____. Such local law was subject to permissive referendum and no valid petition requesting such referendum was filed as of _____ 20____, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

* Elective Chief Executive Officer means or includes the chief executive officer of a county elected on a county-wide basis or, if there be none, the chairperson of the county legislative body, the mayor of a city or village, or the supervisor of a town where such officer is vested with the power to approve or veto local laws or ordinances.

5. (City local law concerning Charter revision proposed by petition.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the City of _____ having been submitted to referendum pursuant to the provisions of section (36)(37) of the Municipal Home Rule Law, and having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors of such city voting thereon at the (special)(general) election held on _____ 20____, became operative.

6. (County local law concerning adoption of Charter.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the County of _____ State of New York, having been submitted to the electors at the General Election of November _____ 20____, pursuant to subdivisions 5 and 7 of section 33 of the Municipal Home Rule Law, and having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors of the cities of said county as a unit and a majority of the qualified electors of the towns of said county considered as a unit voting at said general election, became operative.

(If any other authorized form of final adoption has been followed, please provide an appropriate certification.)

I further certify that I have compared the preceding local law with the original on file in this office and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom and of the whole of such original local law, and was finally adopted in the manner indicated in paragraph 1 _____ above.

Jane P. Rascoe

Clerk of the county legislative body, City, Town or Village Clerk or officer designated by local legislative body

JANE P. RASCOE

Date:

February 21, 2025

(Seal)

