STATE OF NEW YORK

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Introduced by M. of A. BYRNES -- read once and referred to the Committee on Local Governments

AN ACT in relation to the establishment of the Wheatland-Scottsville joint fire district

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Except as otherwise provided in this act, the dissolution of the town of Wheatland fire protection district located in the town of Wheatland, Monroe county, New York, the establishment of the Wheatland-Scottsville joint fire district by the town board of the town of Wheatland, and the board of trustees of the village of Scottsville, Monroe county, and all actions taken in anticipation or as a result thereof, shall be governed, except as specifically excluded and excepted herein, by all applicable general, special and local laws, including, but not limited to the laws of the state of New York, including but not limited to the town law, the village law, the general municipal law, and the local finance law.

§ 2. The payment of principal and interest on any outstanding bonds or notes, leases or other obligations of the village of Scottsville, related to fire protection, issued or assumed by the Wheatland-Scottsville joint fire district, shall be a charge on the taxable real property located in the Wheatland-Scottsville joint fire district.

§ 3. Any bond resolution adopted by the board of fire commissioners of the Wheatland-Scottsville joint fire district in accordance with the local finance law to authorize the issuance of serial bonds in an amount not to exceed $2,000,000 to finance the acquisition from the village of Scottsville of the village's firehouse, the land on which the firehouse is situated, and the village's firefighting equipment, apparatus and communication equipment shall become effective upon adoption by such board of a resolution and shall not be subject to a mandatory referendum in accordance with section 38.00 of the local finance law. Subsequent to

EXPLANATION--Matter in *italics* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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the issuance of such serial bonds for these specific purposes, any future borrowing by the fire district shall be in accordance with the applicable provisions of New York state law.

§ 4. (a) The village of Scottsville is hereby empowered and directed to transfer to the Wheatland-Scottsville joint fire district, the unexpended and encumbered balance of the appropriations for the fire protection purposes in the village's 2021-2022 budget, for use by the Wheatland-Scottsville joint fire district for any lawful object or purpose of the district.

(b) The town of Wheatland is hereby empowered and directed to transfer to the Wheatland-Scottsville joint fire district, an amount equal to the unexpended and encumbered balance of the appropriations for the fire protection purposes in the town's 2021 budget, which has not been paid to the village for use by the Wheatland-Scottsville joint fire district for any lawful object or purpose of the district.

§ 5. The Wheatland-Scottsville joint fire district is hereby empowered and may enter into one or more contracts with the Scottsville fire department, Inc. for the provision to all or any portion of the Wheatland-Scottsville joint fire district for fire protection services, emergency services in case of accidents, calamities or other emergencies in connection with which services of firefighters would be required, general ambulance service, or any combination thereof. Except as provided herein, such contracts shall be entered into pursuant to, and governed by, subdivision 22 of section 176 of the town law and, as provided therein, subject to the provisions of section 209-b of the general municipal law.

§ 6. This act shall take effect immediately.