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Introduced by M. of A. THIELE, CONTE, RAIA -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. BOYLE, McDONOUGH -- read once and referred to the Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions

AN ACT to amend the public authorities law, in relation to the board of trustees of the Long Island power authority; to amend the public authorities law, in relation to powers granted to municipalities concerning public utility services; to amend the public service law, in relation to proposed increases in average customer rates; to amend the public authorities law, in relation to hearings of the Long Island power authority and prohibiting the Long Island power authority from owning any portion of any nuclear generating facilities; to amend the public authorities law, in relation to requiring the authority to post any and all contracts on its website; to amend the general municipal law and the local finance law, in relation to the financing of the installation of distributed generation renewable energy sources or energy efficiency improvements; and to repeal certain provisions of the public authorities law relating thereto

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Legislative intent. The legislature finds and declares that:

1. the Long Island power authority was established because the legislature believed that matters of state concern would best be dealt with by replacing such investor owned utility with a publicly owned power authority;

2. a public power authority is best governed by representatives of the public it was established to serve;

3. a democratic principal of energy production must seek to ensure an equitable responsibility for the production of power among the constituents served;

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

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4. in the future Long Island should seek to reformulate its energy distribution methods so that the various townships will take responsibility for producing the power necessary to match growth;

5. the public election of trustees to the power authority will serve to better represent local interests and issues;

6. as a matter of public policy, relinquishing local control over power production does not allow siting and technology decisions to be made by the most impacted population. Therefore, through the election of local trustees, the communities can work to accept the responsibility for the energy production decisions necessary to accommodate their needs; and

7. the Long Island Power Authority (LIPA) was created by the state to be the retail supplier of electricity and is charged with developing energy policy, rate setting and financial planning for the Long Island service territory. LIPA was intended to "provide safe and adequate service at lower rates while facilitating the shift of investment into more beneficial energy demand/energy supply management alternatives". Moreover, the state intended that LIPA utilize "to the fullest extent practicable, all economical means of conservation, and technologies that rely on renewable energy resources, cogeneration and improvements in energy efficiency which will benefit the interests of the ratepayers of the service area".

The legislature finds that the interests set forth in this section will be best served by a utility operated by an elected board of trustees.

S 2. Section 1020-d of the public authorities law, as added by chapter 506 of the laws of 1995, is REPEALED and a new section 1020-d is added to read as follows:

S 1020-D. TRUSTEES. 1. BEGINNING JANUARY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND TWELVE, THE AUTHORITY SHALL CONSIST OF SEVENTEEN TRUSTEES. ONE TRUSTEE, WHO SHALL BE THE CHAIR, SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR, AND SHALL SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF THE GOVERNOR. SUCH CHAIR SHALL HAVE EXPERIENCE IN UTILITY MANAGEMENT AND ANY MEMBER APPOINTED TO A TERM COMMENCING ON OR AFTER JUNE THIRTIETH, TWO THOUSAND ELEVEN SHALL HAVE EXPERIENCE IN ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING AREAS OF EXPERTISE: UTILITY MANAGEMENT; ELECTRICITY GENERATION; ELECTRICITY TRANSMISSION; PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION; BUSINESS MANAGEMENT; FINANCE; OR HAVE EXPERIENCE IN SOME OTHER AREA OF ACTIVITY CENTRAL TO THE MISSION OF THE AUTHORITY. SIXTEEN TRUSTEES SHALL BE ELECTED WITH ONE EACH FROM EACH OF THE FOLLOWING POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS, OR IN THE CASE OF THE COUNTY OF QUEENS, THE PORTION OF THE COUNTY OF QUEENS WITHIN THE SERVICE AREA OF THE AUTHORITY:

(A) COUNTY OF NASSAU:

(1) TOWN OF HEMPSTEAD,

(2) TOWN OF NORTH HEMPSTEAD,

(3) TOWN OF OYSTER BAY,

(4) CITY OF LONG BEACH, AND

(5) CITY OF GLEN COVE;

(B) COUNTY OF SUFFOLK:

(1) TOWN OF BABYLON,

(2) TOWN OF BROOKHAVEN,

(3) TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON,

(4) TOWN OF HUNTINGTON,

(5) TOWN OF ISLIP,

(6) TOWN OF RIVERHEAD,

(7) TOWN OF SHELTER ISLAND,

(8) TOWN OF SMITHTOWN,

(9) TOWN OF SOUTHAMPTON,
(10) TOWN OF SOUTHOLD;
(C) THAT PORTION OF THE COUNTY OF QUEENS WITHIN THE AUTHORITIES SERVICE AREA. EACH ELECTED TRUSTEE SHALL BE A RESIDENT OF THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION FROM WHICH HE OR SHE IS ELECTED. IN THE CASE OF THE COUNTY OF QUEENS, THE TRUSTEE MUST ALSO RESIDE IN THE AUTHORITY SERVICE AREA. NO PERSON WHO IS AN ELECTED OR APPOINTED OFFICIAL OF THE STATE OR ANY MUNICIPALITY, OR ANY AGENCY OR INSTRUMENTALITY THEREOF, SHALL BE QUALIFIED TO SERVE AS AN ELECTED TRUSTEE. EACH TRUSTEE SHALL HOLD OFFICE FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS AND SHALL BE ELECTED AT THE SAME TIME AS THE BIENNIAL TOWN ELECTION. IN THE EVENT OF A VACANCY OCCURRING IN THE OFFICE OF AN ELECTED TRUSTEE BY DEATH, RESIGNATION OR OTHERWISE, A SUCCESSOR SHALL BE CHOSEN BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION FOR THE UNEXPIRED TERM.

2. SUCH TRUSTEES SHALL BE ELECTED IN ELECTIONS CONDUCTED BY THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS PURSUANT TO THE APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE ELECTION LAW. NO POLITICAL PARTY SHALL BE ENTITLED TO NOMINATE CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICE OF TRUSTEE AT ANY SUCH ELECTION.

3. NINE TRUSTEES SHALL CONSTITUTE A QUORUM FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONDUCTING THE BUSINESS OF THE AUTHORITY. THE VOTE OF THE MAJORITY OF THE TRUSTEES SHALL BE REQUIRED FOR THE PURPOSE OF TAKING ACTION.

4. NO TRUSTEE SHALL RECEIVE A SALARY, BUT EACH SHALL BE ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR REASONABLE EXPENSES IN THE PERFORMANCE OF DUTIES ASSIGNED IN THIS SECTION.

S 2-a. Section 1020-d of the public authorities law, as added by chapter 807 of the laws of 1986, is renumbered section 1020-d-1.

S 3. Section 1020-h of the public authorities law, as added by chapter 517 of the laws of 1986, is amended by adding two new subdivisions 12 and 13 to read as follows:

12. NOTHING IN THIS TITLE SHALL BE CONSTRUED AS PREEMPTING, OR OTHERWISE LIMITING, THE RIGHTS OF ANY MUNICIPALITY LOCATED IN WHOLE OR IN PART IN THE SERVICE AREA FROM EXERCISING ANY POWER OR AUTHORITY GRANTED TO IT BY ARTICLE FOURTEEN-A OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO ACQUIRE FACILITIES THROUGH EMINENT DOMAIN AS SET FORTH IN SUBDIVISION SIX OF SECTION THREE HUNDRED SIXTY OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW.

13. IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE EXERCISE OF THE POWER OF EMINENT DOMAIN SPECIFICALLY RESERVED TO MUNICIPALITIES LOCATED IN WHOLE OR IN PART IN THE SERVICE AREA, THE LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS WITH RESPECT TO THE APPROPRIATE VALUATION OF LILCO'S PROPERTY, AS SET FORTH IN PARAGRAPHS (F) THROUGH (M) OF SUBDIVISION ONE OF THIS SECTION, SHALL BE CONSIDERED BY THE COURT IN ESTABLISHING JUST COMPENSATION FOR ANY PROPERTY TAKEN BY ANY SUCH MUNICIPALITY.

S 4. Subdivision 1 of section 5 of the public service law is amended by adding a new paragraph i to read as follows:

I. TO THE LONG ISLAND POWER AUTHORITY AND/OR ITS SUBSIDIARIES WHEN SUCH AUTHORITY SHALL PROPOSE IMPLEMENTATION OF AN INCREASE IN AVERAGE CUSTOMER RATES SUCH PROPOSED INCREASE SHALL NOT BE IMPLEMENTED WITHOUT APPROVAL OF THE COMMISSION FOLLOWING A FULL EVIDENTIARY HEARING PURSUANT TO REGULATIONS. WHEN PETITIONING THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION FOR A RATE INCREASE, THE LONG ISLAND POWER AUTHORITY MUST PREPARE AN ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT ASSESSING THE IMPACT A RATE INCREASE WOULD HAVE ON THE LONG ISLAND ECONOMY AND EFFORTS TO STIMULATE ECONOMIC GROWTH.

S 5. Section 1020-f of the public authorities law, as added by chapter 517 of the laws of 1986, is amended by adding two new subdivisions (bb) and (cc) to read as follows:

(BB) NO FEE, RATE OR OTHER CHARGE SHALL BE ESTABLISHED, FIXED OR REVISED UNLESS AND UNTIL THE AUTHORITY HAS PROVIDED FOR WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENT AND HAS HELD A PUBLIC HEARING AT LEAST SIXTY DAYS PRIOR TO A VOTE TO INCREASE RATES TO PROVIDE THE PUBLIC WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD CONCERNING THE SAME WITH AT LEAST ONE SUCH HEARING TO BE HELD IN THE COUNTY OF SUFFOLK AND AT LEAST ONE IN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU. NOTICE OF SUCH SHALL BE PUBLISHED BY THE AUTHORITY NOT LESS THAN TEN NOR MORE THAN TWENTY DAYS BEFORE THE DATE SET THEREFOR IN A NEWSPAPER OR NEWSPAPERS HAVING GENERAL CIRCULATION IN THE SERVICE AREA. SUCH NOTICE SHALL SET FORTH THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF SUCH HEARING AND SHALL INCLUDE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED AT SUCH HEARING. AT ALL SUCH HEARINGS, ALL INTERESTED PERSONS SHALL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD CONCERNING THE MATTERS UNDER CONSIDERATION.

(CC) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, RULE OR REGULATION TO THE CONTRARY, THE AUTHORITY SHALL NOT OWN OR POSSESS ANY PORTION OF ANY NUCLEAR GENERATING FACILITIES.

S 6. Section 1020-jj of the public authorities law, as renumbered by chapter 433 of the laws of 2009, is renumbered section 1020-kk and a new section 1020-jj is added to read as follows:

S 1020-JJ. POST CONTRACTS ON WEBSITE. THE AUTHORITY SHALL POST ANY AND ALL CONTRACTS OF THE AUTHORITY ON ITS WEBSITE.

S 7. The general municipal law is amended by adding a new article 2-A to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2-A

FINANCE OF THE INSTALLATION OF
DISTRIBUTED GENERATION RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES
OR ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS

SECTION 27. LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS.
27-A. DEFINITIONS.
27-B. CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENTS.
27-C. REPORT.
27-D. PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION.
27-E. LIENS.

S 27. LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS. 1. THE LEGISLATURE FINDS THAT ENERGY CONSERVATION EFFORTS, INCLUDING THE PROMOTION OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS TO RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL, OR OTHER REAL PROPERTY ARE NECESSARY TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE.

2. THE UPFRONT COST OF MAKING RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL, OR OTHER REAL PROPERTY MORE ENERGY EFFICIENT PREVENTS MANY PROPERTY OWNERS FROM MAKING THOSE IMPROVEMENTS. TO MAKE THOSE IMPROVEMENTS MORE AFFORDABLE AND TO PROMOTE THE INSTALLATION OF THOSE IMPROVEMENTS, IT IS NECESSARY TO AUTHORIZE A PROCEDURE FOR AUTHORIZING ASSESSMENTS TO FINANCE THE COST OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS.

3. THE LEGISLATURE DECLARES THAT A PUBLIC PURPOSE WILL BE SERVED BY A CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM THAT PROVIDES THE GOVERNING BODY OF ANY LOCAL GOVERNMENT WITH THE AUTHORITY TO FINANCE THE INSTALLATION OF DISTRIBUTED GENERATION RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES OR ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS THAT ARE PERMANENTLY FIXED TO RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL, OR OTHER REAL PROPERTY.

4. THIS ARTICLE SHALL NOT BE USED TO FINANCE FACILITIES FOR PARCELS WHICH ARE UNDERGOING DEVELOPMENT.

5. THIS ARTICLE SHALL NOT BE USED TO FINANCE THE PURCHASE OR INSTALLATION OF APPLIANCES THAT ARE NOT PERMANENTLY FIXED TO RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL, OR OTHER REAL PROPERTY.

6. ASSESSMENTS MAY BE LEVIED PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE ONLY WITH THE FREE AND WILLING CONSENT OF THE OWNER OF EACH LOT OR PARCEL ON WHICH AN ASSESSMENT IS LEVIED AT THE TIME THE ASSESSMENT IS LEVIED.

S 27-A. DEFINITIONS. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS ARTICLE, THE FOLLOWING TERMS SHALL HAVE THE FOLLOWING MEANINGS:

1. "LOCAL GOVERNMENT" SHALL MEAN A CITY, TOWN, VILLAGE, OR COUNTY.

2. "GOVERNING BOARD" SHALL MEAN THE CITY COUNCIL, TOWN BOARD, VILLAGE BOARD, OR COUNTY LEGISLATURE OR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

3. "RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES AND ENERGY EFFICIENT IMPROVEMENTS" SHALL MEAN SOLAR THERMAL, PHOTOVOLTAIC, WIND, HYDROELECTRIC, GEOTHERMAL, GEOTHERMAL GROUND SOURCE HEAT, TIDAL ENERGY, WAVE ENERGY, OCEAN THERMAL, AND FUEL CELLS UTILIZING RENEWABLE FUELS AND IMPROVEMENTS WHICH RESULT IN ENERGY CONSERVATION AND EFFICIENCY.

S 27-B. CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENTS. 1. THE GOVERNING BODY OF ANY LOCAL GOVERNMENT MAY ALSO DETERMINE THAT IT WOULD BE IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST TO DESIGNATE AN AREA WITHIN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT, WHICH MAY ENCOMPASS THE ENTIRE LOCAL GOVERNMENT OR A LESSER PORTION, WITHIN WHICH AUTHORIZED LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND PROPERTY OWNERS MAY ENTER INTO CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENTS TO FINANCE THE INSTALLATION OF DISTRIBUTED GENERATION RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES OR ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS THAT ARE PERMANENTLY FIXED TO REAL PROPERTY PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE.

2. THE GOVERNING BODY SHALL MAKE THESE DETERMINATIONS BY ADOPTING A LOCAL LAW. THE LOCAL LAW SHALL INCLUDE A STATEMENT THAT THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROPOSES TO MAKE CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENT FINANCING AVAILABLE TO PROPERTY OWNERS, SHALL IDENTIFY THE KINDS OF PUBLIC WORKS, DISTRIBUTED GENERATION RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES, OR ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS THAT MAY BE FINANCED, SHALL DESCRIBE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE AREA WITHIN WHICH CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENTS MAY BE ENTERED INTO, AND SHALL BRIEFLY DESCRIBE THE PROPOSED ARRANGEMENTS FOR FINANCING THE PROGRAM. THE LOCAL LAW SHALL STATE THAT IT IS IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST TO FINANCE THE INSTALLATION OF DISTRIBUTED GENERATION RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES OR ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS, OR BOTH, PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION ONE OF THIS SECTION, IF APPLICABLE. THE LOCAL LAW SHALL DIRECT PREPARATION OF A REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION TWENTY-SEVEN-C OF THIS ARTICLE.

S 27-C. REPORT. THE REPORT REQUIRED BY SECTION TWENTY-SEVEN-B OF THIS ARTICLE SHALL CONTAIN ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

1. A MAP SHOWING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE TERRITORY WITHIN WHICH CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENTS ARE PROPOSED TO BE OFFERED;

2. A DRAFT CONTRACT SPECIFYING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS THAT WOULD BE AGREED TO BY A PROPERTY OWNER WITHIN THE CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENT AREA AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT;

3. A STATEMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT POLICIES CONCERNING CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENTS INCLUDING ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

(A) IDENTIFICATION OF TYPES OF FACILITIES, DISTRIBUTED GENERATION RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES, OR ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS THAT MAY BE FINANCED THROUGH THE USE OF CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENTS;

(B) IDENTIFICATION OF A LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL AUTHORIZED TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT;

(C) A MAXIMUM AGGREGATE DOLLAR AMOUNT OF CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENTS; AND

(D) A METHOD FOR SETTING REQUESTS FROM PROPERTY OWNERS FOR FINANCING THROUGH CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENTS IN PRIORITY ORDER IN THE EVENT THAT REQUESTS APPEAR LIKELY TO EXCEED THE AUTHORIZATION AMOUNT;

4. A PLAN FOR RAISING A CAPITAL AMOUNT REQUIRED TO PAY FOR WORK PERFORMED PURSUANT TO CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENTS. THE PLAN MAY INCLUDE AMOUNTS TO BE ADVANCED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT THROUGH FUNDS AVAILABLE TO IT FROM ANY SOURCE. THE PLAN MAY INCLUDE THE SALE OF A BOND OR BONDS

OR OTHER FINANCING RELATIONSHIP. THE PLAN SHALL INCLUDE A STATEMENT OF OR METHOD FOR DETERMINING THE INTEREST RATE AND TIME PERIOD DURING WHICH CONTRACTING PROPERTY OWNERS WOULD PAY ANY ASSESSMENT. THE PLAN SHALL PROVIDE FOR ANY RESERVE FUND OR FUNDS. THE PLAN SHALL PROVIDE FOR THE APPORTIONMENT OF ALL OR ANY PORTION OF THE COSTS INCIDENTAL TO FINANCING, ADMINISTRATION, AND COLLECTION OF THE CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM AMONG THE CONSENTING PROPERTY OWNERS AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT; AND

5. A REPORT CONCERNING THE ADDITIONAL FEES, IF ANY, THAT SHALL BE CHARGED FOR INCORPORATING THE PROPOSED CONTRACTUAL ASSESSMENTS INTO THE ASSESSMENTS OF THE GENERAL TAXES OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ON REAL PROPERTY, AND A PLAN FOR FINANCING THE PAYMENT OF SUCH FEES.

S 27-D. PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS ARTICLE, UPON THE WRITTEN CONSENT OF AN AUTHORIZED LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL, THE PROPOSED ARRANGEMENTS FOR FINANCING THE PROGRAM PERTAINING TO THE INSTALLATION OF DISTRIBUTED GENERATION RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES OR ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS THAT ARE PERMANENTLY FIXED TO REAL PROPERTY MAY AUTHORIZE THE PROPERTY OWNER TO PURCHASE DIRECTLY THE RELATED EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS FOR THE INSTALLATION OF DISTRIBUTED GENERATION RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES OR ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS AND TO CONTRACT DIRECTLY FOR THE INSTALLATION OF DISTRIBUTED GENERATION RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES OR ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS THAT ARE PERMANENTLY FIXED TO THE PROPERTY OWNER'S RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL, OR OTHER REAL PROPERTY.

S 27-E. LIENS. ASSESSMENTS LEVIED PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE, AND THE INTEREST AND ANY PENALTIES THEREON SHALL CONSTITUTE A LIEN AGAINST THE LOTS AND PARCELS OF LAND ON WHICH THEY ARE MADE, UNTIL SUCH LIENS ARE PAID. ARTICLE ELEVEN OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW APPLIES TO THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS LEVIED PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE, INSOFAR AS SUCH PROVISIONS ARE NOT IN CONFLICT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS IN THE SAME MANNER AND AT THE SAME TIME AS THE GENERAL TAXES OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ON REAL PROPERTY ARE PAYABLE AND ANY PENALTIES AND REMEDIES AND LIEN PRIORITIES IN THE EVENT OF DELINQUENCY AND DEFAULT.

S 8. Paragraph a of section 11.00 of the local finance law is amended by adding a new subdivision 105 to read as follows:

105. RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES OR ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS. THE ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES OR ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS AS PROVIDED FOR IN ARTICLE TWO-A OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW, THIRTY YEARS.

S 9. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after it shall have become a law.