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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. PAULIN -- read once and referred to the Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions

AN ACT in relation to authorizing the public service commission, upon application by a municipality, to order costs for infrastructure maintenance and access to be charged to all customer classes located in such municipality

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

Section 1. 1. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a municipality 1 may apply to the public service commission to have any costs for infras-3 tructure maintenance and access it is charged by a water-works corporation to instead be charged to all customers across all customer class-5 es located in the municipality provided the municipality has held a public hearing on the matter and has adopted a resolution and determined by a majority vote of the total voting strength of its governing body 7 8 that it is in the overall public interest to have such costs charged to 9 all customers across all customer classes. Within 120 days after receiving an application pursuant to this act, the public service commission 10 is empowered and directed to issue an order requiring that costs for 11 12 infrastructure maintenance and access be included in the rates charged 13 to all customer classes and apportioned among all customers located in 14 the municipality and that such municipality shall not be charged separately or additionally for costs for infrastructure maintenance and 15 The public service commission shall have the power to request 16 access. 17 any information that it may deem necessary from the water-works corporation or municipality so that it may issue an order as required by this 18 19 section and may require that such information or application be in the 20 form and manner as the commission may request. 21

- 2. Definitions. For purposes of this act:
- 22 a. "costs for infrastructure maintenance and access" means all costs 23 associated with maintenance and operation of infrastructure and equip-24 ment used in connection with the sale, furnishing, transmission 25 distribution of water for domestic, commercial, public and emergency

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

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purposes and shall also mean costs or charges associated with municipal access to infrastructure or equipment. 2

- b. "municipality" shall mean a city, town or village located in the 3 county of Westchester.
- c. "water-works corporation" shall have the same meaning as that term is defined in section 2 of the public service law.
 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately. 5 6
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