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AN ACT to establish the "capacity zone" task force and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof

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

1 Section 1. There is hereby established the capacity zone task force
2 consisting of the chairman of the public service commission, the presi-
3 dent of the New York state energy and research development authority,
4 the president of PSEG Long Island, the president of the New York power
5 authority, the commissioner of environmental conservation, the commis-
6 sioner of economic development, two members of the senate whose
7 districts sit within the new capacity zone as established by the federal
8 energy regulatory commission, one who shall be appointed by the tempo-
9 rary president of the senate and one who shall be appointed by the lead-
10 er of the minority conference, and two members of the assembly whose
11 districts sit within the new capacity zone as established by the federal
12 energy regulatory commission, one who shall be appointed by the speaker
13 of the assembly and one who shall be appointed by the minority leader,
14 and a designee of the governor. Members of the task force may designate
15 an executive staff representative to participate on the task force on
16 their behalf.

17 S 2. The role of the task force includes, but is not limited to,
18 creating and implementing a conservation plan to reduce electricity
19 demand in the counties of Nassau, Suffolk, and Westchester and the city
20 of New York by twelve hundred megawatts, thereby alleviating the need
21 for the new capacity zone.

22 S 3. The task force and the implementation of the task force's plan
23 shall be funded by the system benefits charge.

24 S 4. The task force shall complete the conservation plan within ninety
25 days of the effective date of this section and thereafter present the
26 plan to the governor, temporary president of the senate and the speaker
27 of the assembly. The task force shall begin implementation of the plan

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

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1 within one hundred eighty days of the effective date of this section and
2 complete implementation of the plan within one and a half years of the
3 effective date of this section.
4 S 5. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire and be
5 deemed repealed three years after such date.