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Introduced by Sen. HOYLMAN -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Energy and Telecommunications

AN ACT to amend the public service law, in relation to the siting of electric substations

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

1     Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 120 of the public service law, as  
2 amended by chapter 538 of the laws of 1981, is amended to read as  
3 follows:  
4     2. "Major utility transmission facility" means: (a) an electric trans-  
5 mission line of a design capacity of one hundred twenty-five kilovolts  
6 or more extending a distance of one mile or more, or of one hundred  
7 kilovolts or more and less than one hundred twenty-five kilovolts,  
8 extending a distance of ten miles or more, including associated equip-  
9 ment, but shall not include any such transmission line located wholly  
10 underground in a city with a population in excess of one hundred twen-  
11 ty-five thousand or a primary transmission line approved by the federal  
12 energy regulatory commission in connection with a hydro-electric facili-  
13 ty; [and] (b) a fuel gas transmission line extending a distance of one  
14 thousand feet or more to be used to transport fuel gas at pressures of  
15 one hundred twenty-five pounds per square inch or more, excluding appur-  
16 tenant facilities, but shall not include any such transmission line  
17 which is located wholly underground in a city or wholly within the right  
18 of way of a state, county or town highway or village street as those  
19 terms are defined in article one of the highway law and article six of  
20 the village law, or which replaces an existing transmission line,  
21 including appurtenant facilities, and extends a distance of less than  
22 one mile; AND (C) A FACILITY IN WHICH ELECTRIC CURRENT IS TRANSFORMED  
23 FROM THE TRANSMISSION SYSTEM TO THE DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM OR A FACILITY  
24 WITHIN THE DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM THAT IS LARGER THAN FIVE HUNDRED SQUARE  
25 FEET AND IN WHICH ELECTRIC CURRENT IS TRANSFORMED.  
26     S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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