

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. MARCHIONE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the general business law, in relation to requiring internet service providers to charge a residential rate to emergency service organizations

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

1 Section 1. The general business law is amended by adding a new article
2 40 to read as follows:

ARTICLE 40

INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDERS

Section 900. Definitions.

901. Rates for emergency service organizations.

7 § 900. Definitions. For the purpose of this article: 1. "Internet
8 service provider" means any person, business or organization qualified
9 to do business in this state that provides individuals, corporations, or
10 other entities with the ability to connect to the internet through
11 equipment that is located in this state.

12 2. "Emergency service organization" means any police department, fire
13 department or ambulance service of a political subdivision of this
14 state, or a voluntary fire or ambulance company.

15 § 901. Rates for emergency service organizations. No internet service
16 provider shall charge any emergency service organization an amount which
17 is more than the rate charged to residential customers of such internet
18 service provider. When such internet service provider charges different
19 rates for business customers and residential customers, emergency
20 service providers shall be charged the residential rate.

21 § 2. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall
22 have become a law.

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

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