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## IN ASSEMBLY

June 6, 2018

Introduced by COMMITTEE ON RULES -- (at request of M. of A. Otis) -- read once and referred to the Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions

AN ACT to amend the public service law, in relation to providing water usage data to municipalities

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

Section 1. Subdivision 6 of section 89-b of the public service law, as added by chapter 114 of the laws of 1978, is amended to read as follows: 3 6. No water works corporation shall sell or offer for sale any list of 4 names of its customers. However, upon request by a municipality, a water works corporation shall provide water usage data by property address to such municipality where: (a) such municipality is within the service 7 territory of such water works corporation; (b) such data shall only be used for municipal purposes related to the financing of clean, storm or 9 drinking water infrastructure projects and service; and (c) the 10 provision of such data shall be pursuant to a written agreement between 11 the water works corporation and the municipality which adequately 12 provides for customer privacy safeguards and conforms with regulations 13 of the commission promulgated pursuant to this section. The water works corporation may provide for reimbursement of any nominal administrative 14 15 costs which result from this provision of data in the written agreement. 16 Property water usage data shall be used solely for the financing of such 17 municipal purposes and such data information shall not be sold or shared with any other person or corporation. If a private vendor is used by the 18 municipality in association with such municipal purposes, the 19 restrictions related to municipalities on sale or sharing of water usage 20 21 data shall apply to such private vendor. Upon request by a municipality, 22 the commission may commence a proceeding to: (a) establish a written 23 agreement between the municipality and a water works corporation; or (b) 24 review any written agreement entered into between the municipality and a water works corporation, and make any modifications to such agreement as would be in the public interest. Any agency, as defined under section eighty-six of the public officers law, shall not disclose any personally 27

EXPLANATION--Matter in <a href="italics">italics</a> (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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1 identifiable information contained within such water usage data to the public. For purposes of this subdivision, "municipality" shall only 3 include the city of Rye and the villages of Ardsley, Hastings-on-Hudson, 4 Port Chester, and Rye Brook. The commission shall, within ninety days of 5 the effective date of this act, promulgate regulations that establish 6 the requirements of the written agreement between the municipality and the water works corporation, which shall include, but not be limited to, customer privacy safeguards and what expenses the water works corpo-9 ration may calculate in any nominal administrative cost reimbursement. 10

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.