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IN SENATE

(Prefiled)

January 3, 2018

Introduced by Sen. PERSAUD -- 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 providing for unlisted telephone numbers without charge for certain victims of domestic violence

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

1 Section 1. Section 91 of the public service law is amended by adding a 2 new subdivision 8 to read as follows:

8. Every local exchange telephone corporation shall, where an order of protection exists and at the customer's request (accompanying a copy of the order), waive the charges therefor and omit from any directory of telephone numbers published by it or an affiliated company the listing of any person who is a victim of domestic violence, as defined in section four hundred fifty-nine-a of the social services law, and for whose benefit any order of protection, other than a temporary order of protection, has been issued by a court of competent jurisdiction, for the duration of such order.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after it shall have become a law. Effective immediately the public service commission is authorized to promulgate any and all rules and regulations and take any other measures necessary to implement this act on its effective date on or before such date.

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

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