

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

September 9, 2020

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

AN ACT to amend the public service law, in relation to requiring elec-
tric corporations to prioritize restoring services to police depart-
ments, fire departments, and ambulance services, when electric
services are interrupted

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

Section 1. The public service law is amended by adding a new section
73 to read as follows:

§ 73. Prioritization of emergency services. 1. If an electric corpo-
ration is not able to restore electric power services to any police
department, fire department, or ambulance service within twenty-four
hours of the loss or interruption of such electric power services, such
electric corporation shall provide such police department, fire depart-
ment, and/or ambulance service with an alternate generated power source.

2. An electric corporation shall not increase charges to any rate
payers to cover any extra costs incurred by such electric corporation as
a result of compliance with subdivision one of this section.

3. For the purposes of this section, "alternate generated power
source" shall mean electric generating equipment that is of the capacity
that is capable of providing adequate electricity to operate all life
safety systems and the basic operations of a police department, fire
department, or ambulance service.

§ 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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