

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. KAPLAN -- 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 cell towers to be equipped with a back-up power source in case of a power outage

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 section
2 399-yyy to read as follows:

3 § 399-yyy. Cellular network infrastructure; backup power. 1. Every
4 owner or operator of cellular network infrastructure located in this
5 state shall equip all such cellular network infrastructure with an emer-
6 gency back-up power source capable of providing adequate power to main-
7 tain the operation of such cellular network infrastructure in the case
8 of a loss of power.

9 2. For the purposes of this section, "cellular network infrastructure"
10 shall mean any part of a radio telecommunications network that provides
11 wireless communications infrastructure to support cellular phones,
12 located throughout a geographical coverage area, including, but not
13 limited to, cell towers.

14 § 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall
15 have become a law.

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

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