AN ACT to amend the public service law, in relation to directing the public service commission to conduct a study and report on time-of-use plans offered by gas and electric utilities.

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

Section 1. The public service law is amended by adding a new section 66-q to read as follows:

§ 66-q. Time-of-use study and report. The commission shall conduct a study and compile a report analyzing the available time-of-use plans offered by all gas and electric utility companies conducting business in the state. Such study and report shall include, but not be limited to:

(a) all available time-of-use plans from all gas and electric utility companies in the state that are available to residential customers;
(b) all available time-of-use plans from all gas and electric utility companies in the state that are available to commercial customers;
(c) details about prices, including a comparison of the prices for different types of plans for each such utility company;
(d) recommendations regarding Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) including, but not limited to, whether the utility companies' plans require an AMI to implement a time-of-use plan, recommendations on how to incentivize AMI growth in the state, and recommendations on alternative ways to finance the installation of AMI in residences;
(e) recommendations regarding the impacts of increased electric-vehicle use in off-peak timeframes;
(f) details regarding restrictions on time-of-use plans listed by each utility company;
(g) recommendations for consumers on how to use time-of-use plans most efficiently; and
(h) include possible impacts on ratepayers if they choose time-of-use plans.

The commission shall publish a report of its findings within one hundred eighty days of the effective date of this section. Copies of

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

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such report shall be submitted to the temporary president of the senate, the speaker of the assembly, the chair of the senate energy and telecommunications committee and the chair of the assembly energy committee. The commission shall also publish the report online.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.