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## IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. COMRIE -- 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 and the public authorities law, in relation to requiring combination gas and electric corporations, the New York Power Authority and the Long Island Power Authority to provide an annual transparency statement to customers

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

1 Section 1. Section 44 of the public service law is amended by adding a  
2 new subdivision 6 to read as follows:

3 6. Commencing on January first, two thousand twenty-three, every  
4 combination gas and electric corporation on an annual basis, shall  
5 provide each customer with an annual transparency statement which shall  
6 detail the following charges on a gross basis which are included in each  
7 customer's delivery service portion of their utility bill, including but  
8 not limited to: (i) property taxes; (ii) sales and compensating use  
9 taxes; (iii) costs and expenses of the commission and department pursu-  
10 ant to section eighteen-a of this chapter; (iv) gross receipts taxes;  
11 (v) franchise and income taxes; (vi) metropolitan transportation author-  
12 ity payroll taxes; and (vii) fees, charges and costs imposed by the  
13 public service commission which are embedded in the customer bill. Such  
14 fees, charges and costs shall include costs from the implementation of  
15 reforming energy vision, energy efficiency, distributed energy resources  
16 and zero emission credits. Such transparency statement shall provide a  
17 percentage of the foregoing charges as applied to the average bill of a  
18 customer of such utility.

19 § 2. Section 1005 of the public authorities law is amended by adding a  
20 new subdivision 28 to read as follows:

21 28. Commencing on January first, two thousand twenty-three, the  
22 authority, on an annual basis, shall provide each customer with an annu-

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

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2 gross basis which are included in each customer's delivery service  
3 portion of their utility bill, including but not limited to: (i) proper-  
4 ty taxes; (ii) sales and compensating use taxes; (iii) costs and  
5 expenses of the authority and the public service commission pursuant to  
6 section eighteen-a of the public service law; (iv) gross receipts taxes;  
7 (v) franchise and income taxes; (vi) metropolitan transportation author-  
8 ity payroll taxes; and (vii) fees, charges and costs imposed by the  
9 authority which are embedded in the customer bill. Such fees, charges  
10 and costs shall include costs from the implementation of reforming ener-  
11 gy vision, energy efficiency, distributed energy resources and zero  
12 emission credits. Such transparency statement shall provide a percentage  
13 of the foregoing charges as applied to the average bill of a customer of  
14 such utility.

15 § 3. Sections 1020-jj, 1020-kk, 1020-ll and 1020-ll of the public  
16 authorities law, sections 1020-jj, 1020-kk and 1020-ll as renumbered by  
17 chapter 520 of the laws of 2018, and section 1020-ll as renumbered by  
18 chapter 415 of the laws of 2017, are renumbered sections 1020-ww, 1020-  
19 xx, 1020-yy, and 1020-zz and a new section 1020-jj is added to read as  
20 follows:

21 § 1020-jj. Customer bills. Commencing on January first, two thousand  
22 twenty-three, the authority, on an annual basis, shall provide each  
23 customer with an annual transparency statement which shall detail the  
24 following charges on a gross basis which are included in each customer's  
25 delivery service portion of their utility bill, including but not limit-  
26 ed to: (i) property taxes; (ii) sales and compensating use taxes; (iii)  
27 costs and expenses of the authority and the public service commission  
28 pursuant to section eighteen-a of the public service law; (iv) gross  
29 receipts taxes; (v) franchise and income taxes; (vi) metropolitan trans-  
30 portation authority payroll taxes; and (vii) fees, charges and costs  
31 imposed by the authority which are embedded in the customer bill. Such  
32 fees, charges and costs shall include costs from the implementation of  
33 reforming energy vision, energy efficiency, distributed energy resources  
34 and zero emission credits. Such transparency statement shall provide a  
35 percentage of the foregoing charges as applied to the average bill of a  
36 customer of such utility.

37 § 4. This act shall take effect immediately.