

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by COMMITTEE ON RULES -- (at request of M. of A. Cahill) --  
read once and referred to the Committee on Energy

AN ACT to amend the public service law and the public authorities law,  
in relation to requiring the public service commission and the Long  
Island power authority to establish standards of acceptable perform-  
ance for gas and electric corporations

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

1 Section 1. Section 66 of the public service law is amended by adding a  
2 new subdivision 2-b to read as follows:

3 2-b. Have power to establish standards of acceptable performance for  
4 gas corporations and electric corporations in the event of a power  
5 outage and subsequent power restoration.

6 (a) Such rules and regulations shall set performance standards for the  
7 restoration of power based on the foreseeable nature of the outage and  
8 the number of customers affected.

9 (b) After an investigation and hearing held on notice and upon a find-  
10 ing of unacceptable performance, the commission shall impose a penalty  
11 for each violation which the commission deems just and proper.

12 (c) Such penalties shall include but not be limited to a credit to  
13 each customer of the amount of money charged for one kilowatt hour for  
14 each kilowatt hour of service outage.

15 § 2. Section 1020-f of the public authorities law is amended by adding  
16 a new subdivision (jj) to read as follows:

17 (jj) The authority and its service providers shall have the power to  
18 establish standards of acceptable performance for gas corporations  
19 and electric corporations in the event of a power outage and subse-  
20 quent power restoration.

21 1. Such rules and regulations shall set performance standards for the  
22 restoration of power based on the foreseeable nature of the outage and  
23 the number of customers affected.

24 2. The authority may impose a penalty for each violation which the  
25 authority deems just and proper, following an investigation and hearing  
26 held on notice and upon a finding of unacceptable performance.

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

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1     3. Such penalties shall include but not be limited to a credit to  
2     each customer of the amount of money charged for one kilowatt hour for  
3     each kilowatt hour of service outage.

4     § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.