## STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. DINOWITZ -- read once and referred to the Committee on Codes

AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to unlawfully installing a gas meter

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

Section 1. The penal law is amended by adding a new section 270.40 to 2 read as follows:

3 § 270.40 Unlawfully installing a gas meter.

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- 1. As used in this section "gas meter" means any gas meter that meas-5 ures usage of any end use customer of gas services.
- 2. A person is quilty of unlawfully installing a gas meter when he or she installs the gas meter or is the owner of the premises where the meter is unlawfully installed and knows or reasonably should know that 9 such gas meter was unlawfully installed. A gas meter is unlawfully 10 installed when it is installed by any person other than a person acting 11 on behalf of a utility corporation subject to the jurisdiction of the 12 public service commission, unless such person has received a permit to 13 install the gas meter from the appropriate permitting authority.
- 14 <u>Unlawfully installing a gas meter is a class B misdemeanor.</u>
- 15 § 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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