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AN ACT to amend the public service law, in relation to providing a  
discount to consumers of certain utilities for failure to provide  
contracted services

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

1 Section 1. The public service law is amended by adding a new section  
2 119-d to read as follows:

3 § 119-d. Failure to provide contracted services. A consumer who has a  
4 contract for service with a gas corporation, electric corporation, gas  
5 and electric corporation, water corporation, steam corporation, tele-  
6 graph corporation, telephone corporation, cable television company,  
7 internet service provider or a municipality rendering equivalent utility  
8 services shall be entitled to a discount when the service such consumer  
9 has contracted for is not provided for by such gas corporation, electric  
10 corporation, gas and electric corporation, water corporation, steam  
11 corporation, telegraph corporation, telephone corporation, cable tele-  
12 vision company, internet service provider or a municipality rendering  
13 equivalent utility services for a period of at least twenty-four hours.  
14 Such discount shall be applied to the monthly charges assessed by such  
15 gas corporation, electric corporation, gas and electric corporation,  
16 water corporation, steam corporation, telegraph corporation, telephone  
17 corporation, cable television company, internet service provider or a  
18 municipality rendering equivalent utility services by reducing such  
19 monthly charges by a percentage that is equal to the number of days of  
20 the billing cycle divided by the number of days such contracted service  
21 was not provided to the consumer.

22 § 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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