STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

January 4, 2024

Introduced by M. of A. ROZIC -- read once and referred to the Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions

AN ACT to amend the general business law, in relation to authorizing cellular phone companies to provide notice of bills to third parties at the request of the customer

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

Section 1. Section 393-f of the general business law, as added by a chapter of the laws of 2023 amending the public service law, the general business law and the public authorities law relating to third-party notification, as proposed in legislative bills numbers S. 406-A and A. 1368-A, is amended to read as follows:

§ 393-f. Voluntary third-party notification. 1. Every telegraph or telephone corporation, cable television corporation, [~~cellular phone company,~~] or municipality shall permit a residential customer to designate a third party to receive notice of the total amount due or past due on all bills, the amounts of any payments paid by or on behalf of such residential customer, and copies of all notices relating to termination of service and notices relating to collection of amounts due sent to such residential customer, provided that the designated third party indicates in writing a willingness to receive such notices, and provided further, where a residential customer opts for third-party notifications, such residential customer may opt to continue to receive such notices.

2. [~~Every telegraph or telephone corporation, cable television corporation, cellular phone company, or municipality shall permit a landlord, upon written request of both the landlord and tenant, to designate a third party to be notified of all requests for discontinuance of service to units occupied by such tenant, provided that the designated third party indicates in writing a willingness to receive such notices, and provided further, where the tenant and landlord customers opt for third-party notifications, such tenant and landlord customers may opt to continue to receive such notices~~] **Every cellular phone company, upon request by a customer, shall permit such customer to designate a third**

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

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party to receive notice in accordance with subdivision one of this section. Such notice shall comply with all requirements related to the protection of customer proprietary network information contained in the federal communications act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 222) and any federal regulations adopted under that authority.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the same date and in the same manner as a chapter of the laws of 2023 amending the public service law, the general business law and the public authorities law relating to third-party notification, as proposed in legislative bills numbers S. 406-A and A. 1368-A, takes effect.