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Introduced by Sens. MYRIE, BAILEY, GOUNARDES -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Housing, Construction and Community Development -- reported favorably from said committee and committed to the Committee on Cities 1 -- reported favorably from said committee and committed to the Committee on Finance -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the public housing law, in relation to requiring entities responsible for the provision of vital services to coordinate and work expeditiously to restore service whenever such service is interrupted

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

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 402-e of the public housing law, as amended by chapter 47 of the laws of 2020, is amended and a new subdivision 5 is added to read as follows:

1. In order to ensure compliance and enforcement of the New York city housing authority's duty to provide heat, water, electricity**, gas, where provided** and elevator service, the New York city housing authority shall publish information regarding reported disruptions in such services, the length of such disruptions and the steps taken to restore services **and shall remedy interruptions of gas service in accordance with subdivision five of this section**. Starting on May first, two thousand twenty, the New York city housing authority shall publish such information on its website. For six months after the original publication date, the New York city housing authority shall retain such information on its website.

5. a. The New York city housing authority shall remedy an interruption of gas service as expeditiously as practicable by applying for any

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

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permits necessary to make repairs, as applicable, and coordinating with agencies and gas corporations on a plan to restore such service.

b. The New York city housing authority shall notify residents affected by any such interruption of the plan to restore such service developed pursuant to paragraph a of this subdivision by:

(i) Communicating such plan to residents affected by such interruption as well as the resident association president or other formally recognized resident leader;

(ii) Regularly scheduling meetings to update residents affected by such interruption, as well as the resident association president or other formally recognized resident leader, about the progress made on such plan; and

(iii) Posting a notice in the lobby of the building affected by such interruption describing the interruption and estimating the date on which service by the gas corporation shall be restored.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after it shall have become a law.