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Introduced by Sen. HARCKHAM -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Energy and Telecommunications -- reported favorably from said committee, ordered to first and second report, ordered to a third reading, passed by Senate and delivered to the Assembly, recalled, vote reconsidered, restored to third reading, amended and ordered reprinted, retaining its place in the order of third reading

AN ACT to amend the public service law, in relation to requiring vine trimming for the maintenance of utility poles

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

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

§ 119-d. Maintenance of utility poles. On or before April first, two thousand twenty-four, the commission shall promulgate rules and regulations to require, in addition to other maintenance procedures, the trimming of vines on utility poles throughout the state by the utility company or cable television company that owns such utility pole where such vine growth is likely to disrupt safe and reliable service.

§ 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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