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Introduced by Sen. HINCHEY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Energy and Telecommunications

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to directing the office of renewable energy siting, in consultation with the public service commission, to create a statewide map of all proposed major renewable energy facility sites and an informational tab that calculates regional impacts of such proposed sites

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

Section 1. Paragraph (c) of subdivision 5 of section 94-c of the executive law is amended by adding three new subparagraphs (iii), (iv), and (v) to read as follows:

(iii) In addition to the information required by subparagraph (i) of this paragraph, the office, in consultation with the public service commission, shall post, maintain, and regularly update on its website a statewide map with the location, approximate acreage, and generation capacity of each approved and proposed facility pursuant to this article or renewable electric generating facility pursuant to article ten of the public service law for which permitted, complete, or incomplete applications or notices of intent have been received by the office or the public service commission. Such statewide map shall include any additional information the office deems necessary. The information required pursuant to this subparagraph shall be updated upon the completion of each new or updated application for a proposed facility.

(iv) In addition to the information required by subparagraph (i) of this paragraph, the office, in consultation with the public service commission, shall create an informational tab, using previously established regional economic development council regions, that calculates regional impacts of renewable energy generation facilities for which permitted, complete, or incomplete applications or notices of intent

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

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have been received by the office or the public service commission. Such impacts include, but are not limited to, total acreage of:

a. the proposed project;

b. the project's prime agricultural land and prime soils, unique farmland, and farmland of statewide or local importance, including Mineral Soils Group (MSG) 1-4, as defined by the department of agriculture and markets;

c. the project's open space, as defined by section two hundred forty-seven of the general municipal law; and

d. the project's forest land, as defined by section 9-0101 of the environmental conservation law.

(v) The map shall be updated immediately upon receipt of permitted, complete, or incomplete applications or notices of intent for the proposed project by the office or the public service commission.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the sixtieth day after it shall have become a law; provided, however, that the amendments to paragraph (c) of subdivision 5 of section 94-c of the executive law made by section one of this act shall not affect the repeal of such section and shall be deemed repealed therewith. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and completed on or before such effective date.