STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

May 15, 2026

Introduced by COMMITTEE ON RULES -- (at request of M. of A. Kassay) -- read once and referred to the Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions

AN ACT to amend the public service law, in relation to requiring utilities to automatically enroll customers over the age of fifty-five in any available savings programs

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 54 to read as follows:

§ 54. Utility automatic savings program. 1. Within two years of the effective date of this section, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the commission is authorized and directed to require utility companies to enroll any customer over fifty-five years of age in any discount or savings program provided by such utility. An enrolled customer's monthly bill shall clearly and conspicuously state the programs such customer is enrolled in and the savings from such programs. Enrollment shall be available at any time during the year. Utilities shall provide a mechanism for a customer to opt out of such programs. For the purposes of this section, "utility company" shall mean a utility company that provides electric, gas, or steam service.

2. A utility company which offers such a discount or savings program shall conspicuously advertise the availability of such program on the website of such utility company.

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

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

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