STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. HEASTIE -- read once and referred to the Committee on Energy

AN ACT to amend the public service law, in relation to prohibiting service charges by gas companies for repair, inspection, maintenance or remedies of damage

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

Section 1. Subdivision 6 of section 65 of the public service law, subdivision 6 as amended by chapter 204 of the laws of 2010, paragraphs (c) and (d) as amended by and paragraph (e) as added by chapter 375 of the laws of 2022, is amended to read as follows:

6. Service charges prohibited. **(a)** Every gas corporation shall charge for gas supplied a fair and reasonable price.

(b) No such corporation shall make or impose an additional charge or fee for service**, use,** or for the installation**, repair, inspection, or maintenance** of apparatus or [~~the use of apparatus installed, except that~~] **any necessary repairs or remedies of damage to personal property therefrom.**

(c) Such corporation may make or impose a charge [~~may be made~~]:

[~~(a)~~] **(i)** where entry, inspection or examination as authorized by subdivision nine of this section is denied;

[~~(b)~~] **(ii)** for reconnecting the service to a person or corporation if the service to such person or corporation was disconnected, in accordance with applicable legal requirements, for non-payment of bills for service;

[~~(b-1)~~] **(iii)** for expenses reasonably incurred as determined by the commission in cases of meter tampering and theft of service. Such expenses shall include, but not be limited to, the cost of investigating, repairing and replacing meters and pipes, and the cost of moving a meter and installing it in a secure location;

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

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[~~(c)~~] **(iv)** for a remote meter reading device upon the request and consent of the customer;

[~~(d)~~] **(v)** for installation of capital improvements and fixtures to promote energy efficiency upon the request and consent of the customer, including but not limited to the performance of qualified energy efficiency services for customers participating in green jobs-green New York on-bill recovery pursuant to section sixty-six-m of this article; or

[~~(e)~~] **(vi)** for the provision of thermal energy service.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.