STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

April 30, 2026

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

AN ACT to amend the public service law, in relation to capping the amount paid towards utility bills on an annual basis

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

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 65 of the public service law, as amended by chapter 789 of the laws of 1930, is amended to read as follows:

1. Every gas corporation, every electric corporation and every municipality shall furnish and provide such service, instrumentalities and facilities as shall be safe and adequate and in all respects just and reasonable. All charges made or demanded by any such gas corporation, electric corporation or municipality **on the monthly utility bill** for gas, electricity or any service rendered or to be rendered, shall be just and reasonable and not more than allowed by law or by order of the commission**, notwithstanding the foregoing the utility bill annually shall not increase by more than three percent as measured on an annual basis unless a gas corporation, electric corporation or a municipality including the Long Island power authority service provider demonstrates that an increase is necessary to maintain the reliability and safety of the grid**. Every unjust or unreasonable charge made or demanded for gas, electricity or any such service, or in connection therewith, or in excess of that allowed by law or by the order of the commission is prohibited.

§ 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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