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Introduced by Sen. WEBB -- 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 establishing a usage monitor program

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

1 Section 1. Section 44 of the public service law is amended by adding a
2 new subdivision 8 to read as follows:

3 8. The commission shall require every gas and electric utility corpo-
4 ration utilizing smart meters to establish a usage monitor program for
5 the purposes of notifying customers when energy usage exceeds a cost or
6 usage threshold in a given billing period determined by the customer.
7 The usage monitor program shall provide customers with a notice on the
8 tenth and twentieth day of a billing cycle. The usage monitor program
9 shall notify customers electronically or by mail when their energy usage
10 exceeds their determined threshold and include an estimate of their
11 monthly bill. The usage monitor program shall be an elective program for
12 customers to join. For the purposes of this subdivision, "smart meter"
13 shall mean a metering device that measures and transmits energy usage to
14 a utility for the purposes of billing and monitoring.

15 § 2 This act shall take effect one year after it shall have become a
16 law.

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

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