

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. ROLISON -- 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 requiring electric utility corporations, energy services companies and municipalities to provide an itemized breakdown on monthly bills detailing infrastructure costs, contributions to the New York Power Authority, and other public utility investments

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

1 Section 1. Legislative intent. The Legislature finds that transparency
2 in utility billing is essential to ensuring ratepayers understand how
3 their payments are allocated. At present, consumers receive little
4 information regarding what portion of their monthly bills is devoted to
5 infrastructure, contributions to the New York Power Authority, or other
6 investments approved or mandated by the Public Service Commission.
7 Providing a clear, itemized breakdown will enhance accountability,
8 strengthen consumer confidence, and promote informed dialogue about
9 energy policy and costs.

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

12 8. (a) Every electric utility corporation, energy services company and
13 municipality shall provide on each customer's monthly bill an itemized
14 breakdown that includes, at a minimum:

15 (i) the portion of the bill attributable to infrastructure costs,
16 including transmission, distribution, and maintenance;

17 (ii) the portion of the bill attributable to contributions,
18 surcharges, or assessments directed to the New York Power Authority; and

19 (iii) the portion of the bill attributable to other investments,
20 surcharges, or fees as determined by the commission, including but not
21 limited to renewable energy programs, energy efficiency initiatives, and
22 public policy charges.

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

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1 (b) The commission shall promulgate regulations establishing uniform
2 standards for the format and presentation of such itemized breakdowns to
3 ensure clarity and consistency across utilities.

4 (c) Utilities may include additional explanatory notes or resources to
5 assist customers in understanding each category of charges.

6 § 3. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after
7 it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amend-
8 ment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implemen-
9 tation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and
10 completed on or before such effective date.