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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 utility corporations to remove debris attributable to servicing or protection of delivery lines or systems

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

1 Section 1. The public service law is amended by adding a new section  
2 119-e to read as follows:

3 § 119-e. Removal of timber. A utility corporation that trims, prunes  
4 or cuts trees, bushes or other vegetation on private property in  
5 connection with the servicing or protection of the supply or delivery  
6 lines or systems of the utility shall arrange for the complete removal  
7 from the private property of the debris that results from such actions.  
8 Such removal shall include woodchip processing and/or hauling downed  
9 trees or branches to be composted, recycled or sold as tree length  
10 lumber. The cost of such removal shall be borne by the utility corpo-  
11 ration.

12 § 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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