

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

May 1, 2026

Introduced by M. of A. SIMONE -- read once and referred to the Committee on Economic Development -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the economic development law, in relation to certain construction project contracts to include siting of renewable energy systems, qualified energy storage systems, or electric major utility transmission facilities

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

Section 1. The economic development law is amended by adding a new section 107 to read as follows:

§ 107. Renewable energy and transmission siting considerations. Any contract for new construction projects entered into, overseen, or enforced by the department or the empire state development corporation with a value of greater than or equal to five million dollars in state funding participation shall include, to the greatest extent feasible, siting of renewable energy systems as defined in section sixty-six-p of the public service law, qualified energy storage systems as defined in section seventy-four of the public service law, or electric major utility transmission facilities as defined in section one hundred twenty of the public service law within the terms of construction of such project. The department or the empire state development corporation may consult with the New York state energy research and development authority, or any other relevant agency or authority when considering the siting of qualified energy storage systems, renewable energy systems and electric major utility transmission facilities. If such a project cannot accommodate the siting of renewable energy systems, electric major utility transmission facilities, or a qualified energy storage system, the department or the empire state development corporation shall issue a brief determination in writing including a description of the reasons for the decision.

§ 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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