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Introduced by Sen. O'MARA -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Energy and Telecommunications -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the public service law, in relation to enacting the "ratepayer disclosure and transparency act"

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

Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "ratepayer disclosure and transparency act".

§ 2. The public service law is amended by adding a new section 28 to read as follows:

§ 28. Monthly disclosure and transparency report. 1. The commission in consultation with the New York state energy research and development authority shall report monthly the estimated or actual ratepayer costs and benefits of any mandated state energy program, including but not limited to programs associated with the New York climate leadership and community protection act, the renewable portfolio standard, the energy efficiency portfolio standard, the regional greenhouse gas initiative, zero-emissions energy credits, renewable energy credits, the temporary state energy and utility service conservation assessment, and the systems benefit charge, to the governor, the temporary president of the senate, the speaker of the assembly, the senate minority leader, the assembly minority leader, and the comptroller by the last day of each month.

2. The commission shall create itemized lists of all of the costs associated with any of the programs listed under subdivision one of this section or their successor programs as well as any other such program that will or may cost ratepayers money. Such itemized lists shall be clearly displayed on the utility billing documents of every resident of the state on each month's bill, with the name of each such program list-

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

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ed in either sequential line bullet points or sequential line numbering, including but not limited to the following programs or initiatives: clean energy standard tier one, clean energy standard tier two, clean energy standard tier three, clean energy standard tier four, offshore wind initiative, clean energy fund, electric energy efficiency programs, gas energy efficiency programs, electric heat pump programs, electric vehicle infrastructure investments, electric generation facility cessation mitigation program, public policy transmission projects, any local transmission and distribution projects, earnings adjustment mechanisms, programs that incentivize distributed energy resources, and energy storage projects.

3. All information reported by the public service commission as required under subdivisions one and two of this section shall be made available as a public record and posted to the public service commission's website, the comptroller's website, the New York state energy research and development authority's website, and the department of public service's energy affordability program's website, after submittal to the governor, the temporary president of the senate, the speaker of the assembly, the senate minority leader, the assembly minority leader, and the comptroller.

4. The commission is hereby authorized and directed to promulgate rules and regulations necessary to implement the provisions of this section.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately.