STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

January 8, 2026

Introduced by Sen. SCARCELLA-SPANTON -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the labor law, in relation to requiring contractors and subcontractors performing construction work for covered renewable energy systems to have apprenticeship agreements; and to amend a chapter of the laws of 2025, amending the labor law relating to requiring contractors and subcontractors performing construction work for covered renewable energy systems to use apprenticeship agreements, as proposed in legislative bills numbers S. 4881-A and A. 2730-A, in relation to the effectiveness thereof

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

Section 1. Subdivision 8 of section 224-d of the labor law, as amended by a chapter of the laws of 2025 amending the labor law relating to requiring contractors and subcontractors performing construction work for covered renewable energy systems to use apprenticeship agreements, as proposed in legislative bills numbers S. 4881-A and A. 2730-A, is amended to read as follows:

8. A covered renewable energy system shall require all contractors and subcontractors performing construction work to [~~use~~] **have** apprenticeship agreements, as defined by article twenty-three of this chapter, and any thermal energy network covered by this section shall additionally require such contractors and subcontractors to [~~use~~] **have agreements with** pre-apprenticeship direct entry providers registered with the department.

§ 2. Section 2 of a chapter of the laws of 2025 amending the labor law relating to requiring contractors and subcontractors performing construction work for covered renewable energy systems to use apprenticeship agreements, as proposed in legislative bills numbers S. 4881-A and A. 2730-A, is amended to read as follows:

§ 2. This act shall take effect [~~immediately~~] **September 1, 2026 and shall apply to any covered renewable energy system awarded a contract pursuant to an advertisement or solicitation of a request for proposal, invitation for bid, or solicitation of proposal, or any other method**

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

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provided for by law or regulation for soliciting a response for offerors intending to result in a contract that is issued on or after the effective date of this act.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, that section one of this act shall take effect on the same date and in the same manner as a chapter of the laws of 2025 amending the labor law relating to requiring contractors and subcontractors performing construction work for covered renewable energy systems to use apprenticeship agreements, as proposed in legislative bills numbers S. 4881-A and A. 2730-A, takes effect.