



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## Addabbo Bill Requiring Advanced Notice Of Utility Rate Increases Approved by NYS Senate

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Queens, NY (May 27, 2025): Senator Joseph P. Addabbo, Jr. announced the passage of his bill, S.1194-B, in the New York State Senate. The legislation would require gas and electric corporations to provide customers with a minimum of 45 days' advance notice before implementing any rate or service charge increases.

“At a time when living costs keep rising, it’s more important than ever to protect consumers and ensure transparency,” said Addabbo. “My legislation gives New Yorkers the time they need to prepare for changes in their utility bills, empowering them with information they deserve while allowing them to avoid being blind sided by sudden cost increases.”

Under current law, rate changes can be implemented with limited notice, leaving customers little time to adjust household budgets, inquire about, or sign up for assistance programs. This bill strengthens consumer control by mandating clear and timely notification from utility providers whenever they intend to raise rates or make service-related changes.

“With this legislation, we’re helping restore trust between customers and utility companies while reinforcing basic principles of fairness,” added Addabbo. “I urge the Assembly to move swiftly in passing this bill.”

The bill, which passed the Senate on May 20th, passed the Assembly on May 27th, and will be considered by Governor Hochul for approval into law.