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AN ACT to amend the environmental conservation law, in relation to lost hunting dogs

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 Section 1. Section 11-0923 of the environmental conservation law is 2 amended by adding a new subdivision 7 to read as follows:
- ANY DOG THAT HAS BEEN RELEASED FROM THEIR CONFINEMENT FOR HUNTING PURPOSES SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE UNDER THE REASONABLE CONTROL OF ITS OWNER 5 WHILE ENGAGED IN HUNTING OR RETURNING FROM HUNTING. THE OWNER OR TRAINER OF A DOG THAT HAS BEEN RELEASED FROM THEIR CONFINEMENT FOR HUNTING 7 PURPOSES AND BECOMES TEMPORARILY LOST OR WANDERS FROM ITS OWNER OR 8 TRAINER WHILE HUNTING SHALL NOT BEDEEMED TO HAVE VIOLATED 9 PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.
- 10 IT SHALL BE THE DUTY OF ANY PEACE OFFICER, DOG WARDEN OR ANIMAL 11 CONTROL OFFICER TO MAKE A FAIR AND REASONABLE EFFORT TO DETERMINE WHETH-
- 12 ER ANY DOG FOUND APPARENTLY RUNNING AT LARGE IS A DOG WHICH HAS BECOME
- 13 LOST TEMPORARILY OR WANDERED WHILE HUNTING FROM THE IMMEDIATE CONTROL OF
- 14 ITS OWNER OR TRAINER.
- 15 S 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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