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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. AVELLA -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Environmental Conservation

AN ACT establishing a moratorium on the department of environmental conservation's plan to declare mute swans a "prohibited invasive species"; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof

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

Section 1. Notwithstanding section 11-0325 of the environmental conservation law, or any other law, rule, or regulation to the contrary, a moratorium is imposed on the department of environmental conservation's plan to declare mute swans a "prohibited invasive species" and to eliminate all of the 2,200 mute swans in the state by 2025. The department of environmental conservation shall demonstrate the actual damage to the environment or other species that have been caused by the mute swan population of only 2,200 across the state.

9 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire and be 10 deemed repealed two years after such effective date.

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

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