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    tee on Environmental Conservation

AN ACT to amend the environmental conservation law, in relation to the
    creation of a geographic information system-based display to provide
    high-volume hydraulic fracturing information

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

 1   Section 1. Section 23-0309 of the environmental conservation law is
 2 renumbered section 23-0315 and a new section 23-0309 is added to read as
 3 follows:
 4 S 23-0309. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM-BASED DISPLAY.
 5   1. THE   DEPARTMENT   SHALL   ESTABLISH   A   GEOGRAPHIC   INFORMATION
 6 SYSTEM-BASED DISPLAY, WHICH SHALL INDICATE THE LOCATIONS OF PERMITTED
 7 WELLS FOR HIGH-VOLUME HYDRAULIC FRACTURING, THE LOCATION OF PUBLIC WATER
 8 SUPPLY WELLS AND INTAKES, AND THE STAGE OF THE HIGH-VOLUME HYDRAULIC
 9 FRACTURING OPERATION FOR EACH PERMITTED WELL; INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED
10 TO, THE APPROXIMATE PERCENTAGE OF THE REQUIRED WATER FOR HYDRAULIC FRAC-
11 TURING FLUID THAT HAS BEEN ACCESSED AND STORED ON SITE, WHETHER HIGH-VO-
12 LUME HYDRAULIC FRACTURING IS IN PROGRESS, AND WHETHER GAS IS BEING
13 COLLECTED.
14   2. SUCH INFORMATION SHALL BE UPDATED WEEKLY AND SHALL BE PUBLICLY
15 ACCESSIBLE ON THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE.
16   3. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "HIGH-VOLUME HYDRAULIC FRACTURING" OR
17 "(HVHF)" MEANS HYDRAULIC FRACTURING FOR NATURAL GAS EXTRACTION USING
18 GREATER THAN THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND GALLONS OF WATER REGARDLESS OF
19 WHETHER THE WELL IS VERTICAL, DIRECTIONAL OR HORIZONTAL.
20   S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after
21 it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amend-
22 ment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implemen-
23 tation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made on or
24 before such effective date.

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