7381

IN SENATE

May 2, 2012

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

AN ACT to amend the environmental conservation law, in relation to authorizing residents of the counties of St. Lawrence, Jefferson and Oswego to collect downed lumber from state owned forest lands outside the forest preserve; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon the expiration thereof

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

- 1 Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 3-0301 of the environmental 2 conservation law is amended by adding a new paragraph dd to read as 3 follows:
 - DD. NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 9-0505 OF THIS CHAPTER, THE COMMISSIONER SHALL, BY REGULATION, CREATE AND IMPLEMENT A PROGRAM THAT WILL ALLOW RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTIES OF ST. LAWRENCE, JEFFERSON, AND OSWEGO TO COLLECT DOWNED LUMBER FROM STATE OWNED FOREST LANDS OUTSIDE THE FOREST PRESERVE.

6

7

8

9 S 2. This act shall take effect December 31, 2012 and shall expire 3 10 years after such effective date when upon such date the provisions of this act shall be deemed repealed. Effective immediately, the addition, 12 amendment and/or repeal of any rules or regulations necessary for the 13 implementation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be 14 made on or before such date.

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

LBD15705-01-2