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## 2015-2016 Regular Sessions

## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. THIELE, ROSENTHAL -- read once and referred to the Committee on Environmental Conservation

AN ACT to amend the environmental conservation law, in relation to regulating the removal of turkeys and geese from a locality

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

- 1 Section 1. The environmental conservation law is amended by adding a 2 new section 11-0541 to read as follows:
- 3 S 11-0541. TURKEYS AND GEESE.

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- 1. PRIOR TO AUTHORIZING THE REMOVAL OF TURKEYS OR GEESE FROM A LOCALITY, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON IN A PLACE DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT IN THE LOCALITY AFFECTED. AT LEAST TEN DAYS BEFORE THE HEARING, NOTICE THEREOF SHALL BE ADVERTISED IN A NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED IN EACH COUNTY AFFECTED. THE NOTICE SHALL STATE THE SUBJECT OF THE HEARING AND THE PROPOSED DISPOSITION OF THE TURKEYS OR GEESE.
- 2. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL STRICTLY LIMIT THE NUMBER OF PERMITS AUTHORIZ-11 ING THE REMOVAL OF TURKEYS OR GEESE FROM A LOCALITY. THE DEPARTMENT 12 SHALL PROVIDE INFORMATION OFFERING HUMANE ALTERNATIVES TO EXECUTION TO 13 ALL APPLICANTS SEEKING PERMITS TO REMOVE TURKEYS OR GEESE FROM A LOCALI-14 TY.
- 15 3. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT DONATE TURKEYS OR GEESE TO BE USED FOR 16 HUMAN CONSUMPTION.
- 17 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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