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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. COLTON, ENGLEBRIGHT -- (at request of the Department of Environmental Conservation) -- read once and referred to the Committee on Environmental Conservation

AN ACT to amend the environmental conservation law, in relation to extending the authority of the department of environmental conservation to manage winter flounder

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

Section 1. Section 13-0340-c of the environmental conservation law, as amended by chapter 34 of the laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:

S 13-0340-c. Winter flounder (Pleuorenectes americanus).

5 The department may, until December thirty-first, two thousand 6 [fifteen] SEVENTEEN, fix by regulation measures for the management of 7 winter flounder (Pleuorenectes americanus), including size limits, catch 8 and possession limits, open and closed seasons, closed restrictions on the manner of taking and landing, requirements for 9 10 permits and eligibility therefor, recordkeeping requirements, requirements on the amount and type of fishing effort and gear, and require-11 12 ments relating to transportation, possession and sale, provided that such regulations are no less restrictive than requirements set forth in 13 this chapter and provided further that such regulations are consistent 14 15 with the compliance requirements of applicable fishery management plans adopted by the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission and with 16 17 applicable provisions of fishery management plans adopted pursuant to the Federal Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. S 1800 et 18 19 seq.).

20 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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