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AN ACT to amend the environmental conservation law, in relation to stat-  
ing policy relating to preserving the unique qualities of the night-  
time sky

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

1     Section 1. Subdivision 3 of section 1-0101 of the environmental  
2     conservation law is amended to read as follows:  
3     3. It shall further be the policy of the state to foster, promote,  
4     create and maintain conditions under which man and nature can thrive in  
5     harmony with each other, and achieve social, economic and technological  
6     progress for present and future generations by:  
7     a. Assuring surroundings INCLUDING THE NIGHTTIME SKY which are health-  
8     ful and aesthetically pleasing;  
9     b. Guaranteeing that the widest range of beneficial uses of the envi-  
10    ronment is attained without risk to health or safety, unnecessary degra-  
11    dation or other undesirable or unintended consequences;  
12    c. Promoting patterns of development and technology which minimize  
13    adverse impact on the environment;  
14    d. Preserving the unique qualities INCLUDING THE NIGHTTIME SKY of  
15    special resources such as the Adirondack and Catskill forest preserves  
16    AND OF STATE PARKS, FARMS AND FORESTED LAND AND OTHER OPEN SPACE;  
17    e. Providing that care is taken for the air, water and other resources  
18    that are shared with the other states of the United States and with  
19    Canada in the manner of a good neighbor.  
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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