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AN ACT to amend the environmental conservation law, in relation to the prohibition of the on-site storage of flowback water

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

Section 1. The opening paragraph of subdivision 8 of section 23-0305 of the environmental conservation law, as amended by chapter 846 of the laws of 1981, is amended to read as follows:

With respect to oil pools or fields and natural gas pools or fields, the department shall [have power to]:

S 2. Paragraph k of subdivision 8 of section 23-0305 of the environmental conservation law is relettered paragraph l and a new paragraph k is added to read as follows:

K. PROHIBIT THE USE OF ON-SITE RESERVE PITS FOR FLOWBACK WATER AND REQUIRE THAT SUCH WATER BE CONTAINED WITHIN STEEL TANKS WITH SUCH FLUIDS REMOVED WITHIN SEVEN DAYS IF THERE WILL BE A HIATUS IN SITE ACTIVITY AND FOLLOWING COMPLETION OF DRILLING AND STIMULATION OPERATIONS; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, IF OPERATIONS ARE SUSPENDED OR THE SITE IS LEFT UNATTENDED AT ANY TIME, FLUIDS MUST BE REMOVED IMMEDIATELY.

S 3. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall have become a law.

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

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