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Introduced by Sen. O'MARA -- (at request of the Department of Environmental Conservation) -- 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 extending the authority of the department of environmental conservation to adopt regulations for hunting in the northern zone

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

1     Section 1. Paragraph c of subdivision 8 of section 11-0907 of the  
2 environmental conservation law, as amended by chapter 424 of the laws of  
3 2011, is amended to read as follows:  
4     c. Until [October first] DECEMBER THIRTY-FIRST, two thousand [fifteen]  
5 EIGHTEEN, such special season for the Northern Zone or any portion thereof  
6 may by regulation be for up to a fourteen-day period preceding the  
7 regular open season for deer stated in column two of the table set forth  
8 in subdivision 2 of this section or may be for up to a fourteen-day  
9 period following such open season or any combination thereof, provided  
10 that a maximum of sixteen days is not exceeded for any open area. Regulations  
11 establishing such Northern Zone muzzle-loading firearm big game  
12 season may specify the taking of deer of either sex, antlerless deer  
13 only, legal bucks only, or any combination thereof, and may require that  
14 persons participating in the Northern Zone muzzle-loading firearm big  
15 game season obtain a special permit from the department. When establishing  
16 these regulations, the department must consider the condition of the  
17 herd and communities', property owners', hunters' and other relevant  
18 interests.  
19     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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