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Introduced by Sen. HOYLMAN -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Environmental Conservation -- recommitted to the Committee on Environmental Conservation in accordance with Senate Rule 6, sec. 8 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the environmental conservation law, in relation to prohibiting the importation, breeding or introduction into the wild of Chinese fire belly newts

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

Section 1. The environmental conservation law is amended by adding a new section 11-0514-a to read as follows:

S 11-0514-A. CHINESE FIRE BELLY NEWTS PROHIBITED.

1. NO PERSON, FIRM, PARTNERSHIP, CORPORATION, OR GOVERNMENT ENTITY SHALL KNOWINGLY IMPORT, ALLOW TO BREED, OR INTRODUCE INTO THE WILD CHINESE FIRE BELLY NEWTS (CYNOPS ORIENTALIS).

2. BEGINNING SEPTEMBER FIRST, TWO THOUSAND SIXTEEN, NO PERSON, FIRM, PARTNERSHIP, CORPORATION OR GOVERNMENT ENTITY SHALL KNOWINGLY POSSESS, SELL, OFFER FOR SALE, DISTRIBUTE, TRANSPORT, OR OTHERWISE MARKET OR TRADE LIVE CHINESE FIRE BELLY NEWTS.

3. THE DEPARTMENT MAY ADOPT RULES AND REGULATIONS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT AND ADMINISTER THIS SECTION.

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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