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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. SAVINO -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Cultural Affairs, Tourism, Parks and Recreation

AN ACT to amend the navigation law, in relation to the placement of navigational aids adjacent to real property designated as "Coney Island"

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Section 35 of the navigation law, as amended by chapter 659 of the laws of 1990, is amended to read as follows:

§ 35. Aids to navigation. 1. The commissioner may authorize, through the issuance of a revocable permit, the placing of aids to navigation in the navigable waters of the state, and any tidewaters bordering on or lying within the boundaries of Nassau and Suffolk counties, to mark 7 obstructions to navigation, or for any other purpose, if, in his judgment, it will promote safety of navigation. Any person interested in the navigation of the navigable waters of the state, and any tidewaters 10 bordering on or lying within the boundaries of Nassau and Suffolk coun-11 ties, who may desire to place such aids to navigation therein, without 12 expense to the state, may make application to the commissioner and 13 submit a map suitable for blue print reproduction showing the proposed location of such aids to navigation and their color and meaning. The 15 commissioner shall make rules and regulations establishing the size, shape, color and significance of such aids to navigation. When authori-16 zation has been granted the said aids to navigation shall be deemed 17 lawfully placed. If, in the judgment of the commissioner, aids to navi-18 gation authorized by him are found to be improperly placed or that the 20 reason for their placement no longer exists, he may revoke the permit authorizing their placement by written notice mailed to the person to 22 whom the permit was issued directing their removal within a specified 23 time. The person to whom such notice is directed shall thereupon remove

EXPLANATION--Matter in $\underline{italics}$ (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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1 the aids to navigation in accordance with such instructions. In case of failure by the person so directed to remove the aids to navigation with-3 in the specified time, the commissioner may cause their removal. The cost and expense of such removal shall be a charge against the person authorized to place the aids to navigation and it shall be recoverable through action in any court of competent jurisdiction. Each aid to navigation lawfully placed shall bear in a conspicuous place and in legible condition the letters "NYS". Any person placing such designating letters 9 on an aid to navigation not lawfully placed, in accordance with this 10 section, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction by a court 11 of competent jurisdiction shall be subject to a fine of not more than twenty-five dollars for each and every offense. Any person who shall 12 13 moor or fasten a vessel to a lawfully placed aid to navigation or shall 14 wilfully damage, alter the location of, or otherwise render ineffective 15 a lawfully placed aid to navigation shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and 16 upon conviction before a court of competent jurisdiction shall be subject to a fine of not more than fifty dollars for each and every 17 18 offense. 19

2. The commissioner shall require the placing of aids to navigation in the navigable waters adjacent to all real property designated as "Coney Island". Such aids shall be placed five hundred feet from the shoreline of such real property, in which no public or pleasure vessel shall be permitted to travel. Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of law, rule, or regulation, any individual found to be operating a vessel within such designated safety zone shall be fined fifty dollars per violation. The commissioner shall make rules and regulations establishing the size, shape, and color of such aids to navigation. Each aid to navigation placed in accordance with this subdivision shall bear in a conspicuous place and in legible condition the letters "NYS".

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.