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2017-2018 Regular Sessions

## IN SENATE

## (Prefiled)

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- Introduced by Sen. ORTT -- 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 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee
- AN ACT to amend the environmental conservation law, in relation to the regulation of live restraint cable devices to take wildlife; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon the expiration there-of

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 5 of section 11-1101 of the environmental 2 conservation law is amended to read as follows:

5. <u>a.</u> Except as provided in subdivision 1 or 2 of section 11-0523 <u>of</u> <u>this article</u> with respect to destructive and menacing wildlife, no person shall (a) set or use a trap of the leg-gripping type having teeth in the jaws; (b) set a <u>leg hold</u> trap so that wildlife when caught is suspended; (c) use, locate or set a snare or a device consisting of a noose of any material whereby an animal may be taken.

9 b. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph a of this subdivision, 10 the department may, by regulation, authorize the use of live restraint 11 cable devices to take coyote and other species as allowed by the depart-12 ment in the state, except in the following counties: Westchester, Rock-13 land, Richmond, Suffolk and Nassau. The use of live restraint cable 14 devices shall only be permitted for a period of time specified by the 15 department beginning no earlier than December first. Such regulations 16 shall include live cable restraint devices consisting of at least one 17 swivel, a relaxing lock, a deer stop, and a break away device. Such

EXPLANATION--Matter in <u>italics</u> (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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1	regulations shall also require that any person using a live restraint
2	cable shall check such device at least once every twenty-four hours.
3	For the purposes of this provision:
4	(a) a swivel is a device incorporated at the end of the cable
5	restraint which allows the captured animal to freely rotate;
6	(b) a relaxing lock is a device that allows the cable loop to stop
7	restricting when the captured animal stops pulling;
8	(c) a deer stop is a device incorporated into the loop of the cable
9	restraint that keeps the cable restraint from closing beyond a specified
10	circumference to allow deer that may encounter the restraint to escape;
11	and
12	(d) a break away device allows the loop of the cable restraint to
13	break open when a specified amount of force is applied.
14	<u>Trappers using live cable restraint devices must complete a training</u>
15	course in their construction and use offered by the department.
16	§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire and be
17	deemed repealed February 16, 2021.