STATE OF NEW YORK

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2019-2020 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

January 14, 2019

Introduced by Sen. GALLIVAN -- 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 eliminating the requirement that hunters wear back tags during hunting season in the state; and to repeal certain provisions of such law relating thereto

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

1	Section 1. Section 11-0705 of the environmental conservation law, as
2	amended by section 21 of part R of chapter 58 of the laws of 2013, is
3	amended to read as follows:
4	§ 11-0705. Failure to carry license, tag or bowhunting and/or muzzle-
5	loading privileges.
б	1. a. The holder of a license, tag, bowhunting privilege or muzzle-
7	loading privilege defined in section 11-0701 of this title shall:
8	(1) have such license, tag or privilege on the holder's person while
9	exercising any privilege of that license stated in section 11-0701 of
10	this title, or while assisting or accompanying a minor in hunting as
11	provided in section 11-0929 of this article, and
12	(2) shall exhibit it on demand to any police officer, peace officer or
13	owner, lessee or person in control of the lands or waters or the desig-
14	nees of the owner, lessee or person in control of the lands or waters on
15	which the license holder is present.
16	2. [a. Holders of a hunting license while exercising the privileges of
17	such license, shall have the back tag issued with their license attached
18	to and displayed on the back of the outer garment between the shoulders
19	in such manner that all figures are plainly visible at all times.
20	b. The license tag for the current year only shall be displayed.
21	c. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs a and b of this subdi-
22	vision, a license holder shall not be required to display such license
23	tag in the Northern Zone or the Catskill Park.

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

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3. Failure of a licensee to have the holder's license, tag or license with bowhunting and/or muzzle-loading privilege included, on the holder's person while hunting, fishing or trapping, is presumptive evidence that the holder is hunting, fishing or trapping, as the case may be, without holding the license, tag or license and bowhunting or muzzleloading privilege required by subdivision 6 of section 11-0703 of this title.

8 § 2. Subdivision 3 of section 71-0923 of the environmental conserva-9 tion law is REPEALED.

10 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.