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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. WILLIAMS, ENGLEBRIGHT -- (at request of the Department of Environmental Conservation) -- read once and referred 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 manage bluefish

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

1 Section 1. Section 13-0340 of the environmental conservation law, as 2 amended by chapter 147 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as 3 follows:

§ 13-0340. Bluefish (Pomatomus saltatrix).

The department may, until December thirty-first, two thousand [nineteem] twenty-two, fix by regulation measures for the management of 7 bluefish (Pomatomus saltatrix), including size limits, catch and possession limits, open and closed seasons, closed areas, restrictions on the manner of taking and landing, requirements for permits and eligi-10 bility therefor, recordkeeping requirements, requirements on the amount and type of fishing effort and gear, and requirements relating to trans-12 portation, possession and sale, provided that such regulations are no 13 less restrictive than requirements set forth in this chapter and 14 provided further that such regulations are consistent with the compli-15 ance requirements of applicable fishery management plans adopted by the 16 Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission and with applicable provisions of fishery management plans adopted pursuant to the Federal 17 18 Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. § 1800 et seq.). 19 § 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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