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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. 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 clams

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

Section 1. Subdivision 8 of section 13-0325 of the environmental 2 conservation law, as amended by chapter 143 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

- 8. The department may, until December thirty-first, [two-thousand 5 nineteen two thousand twenty-two, adopt by regulation measures for the management of hard clams (Mercenaria mercenaria), soft or steamer clams (Mya arenaria), and razor clams (Ensis sp.), including size limits, catch and possession limits, open and closed seasons, closed areas, 9 restrictions on the manner of taking and landing, requirements for 10 permits and eligibility therefor, recordkeeping and identification 11 requirements, requirements on the amount and type of fishing effort and 12 gear, and requirements relating to transportation, possession and sale, 13 provided that such regulations are no less restrictive than requirements 14 set forth in this chapter.
- 15 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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