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## IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. HARCKHAM -- 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 creating a program to assist lake associations with water quality improvement

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

1 Section 1. The environmental conservation law is amended by adding a  
2 new section 15-0519 to read as follows:

3 § 15-0519. Water quality improvement; lake associations.

4 1. Subject to an appropriation for such purpose, the department shall,  
5 in consultation with the environmental facilities corporation, create a  
6 program to assist lake associations with water quality improvement. The  
7 program shall, at the request of a lake association:

8 a. identify any water quality concerns at a water body managed by a  
9 lake association;

10 b. determine the most effective way to remediate any water quality  
11 concerns; and

12 c. assist with determining best practices to improve and maintain  
13 water quality at lake associations.

14 2. The department shall establish a grant program to assist with reme-  
15 dial actions to address the water quality at lake associations.

16 3. The department is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations to  
17 implement this section.

18 § 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after  
19 it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amend-  
20 ment, and/or repeal of any rules and regulations necessary to implement  
21 the provisions of this act on its effective date are authorized and  
22 directed to be completed on or before such effective date.

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

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