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## IN ASSEMBLY

May 4, 2022

Introduced by COMMITTEE ON RULES -- (at request of M. of A. Williams) -- 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 blackfish

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

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 13-0340-d of the environmental conservation law, as amended by chapter 236 of the laws of 2019, is amended to read as follows:

1. The department may, until December thirty-first, two thousand 4 5 [twenty-two] twenty-five, fix by regulation measures for the management б of blackfish (Tautoga onitis), including size limits, catch and 7 possession limits, open and closed seasons, closed areas, restrictions on the manner of taking and landing, requirements for permits and eligi-8 9 bility therefor, recordkeeping requirements, requirements on the amount 10 and type of fishing effort and gear, and requirements relating to trans-11 portation, possession and sale, provided that such regulations are no 12 less restrictive than requirements set forth in this chapter and 13 provided further that such regulations are consistent with the compli-14 ance requirements of applicable fishery management plans adopted by the 15 Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission and with applicable 16 provisions of fishery management plans adopted pursuant to the Federal 17 Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. § 1800 et seq.). 18 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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