STATE OF NEW YORK

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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 the protection of certain streams

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

Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 15-0501 of the environmental conservation law, as amended by chapter 233 of the laws of 1979, is amended to read as follows:

2. For the purposes of this section, stream shall mean that portion of any fresh surface watercourse, except lakes or ponds having a surface area greater than ten acres at mean low water level, for which the department has adopted or may hereafter adopt pursuant to section 17-030l, any of the following classifications or standards:

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C and C (T)

Small ponds or lakes with a surface area at mean low water level of ten acres or less, located in the course of a stream, shall be considered a part of the stream and subject to regulation under this section.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall have become a law.

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

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