

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

May 1, 2026

Introduced by M. of A. HOOKS -- (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 black sea bass

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

1 Section 1. Section 13-0340-f of the environmental conservation law, as
2 amended by chapter 314 of the laws of 2023, is amended to read as
3 follows:
4 § 13-0340-f. Black sea bass (*Centropristis striata*).
5 The department may, until December thirty-first, two thousand [~~twen-~~
6 ~~ty-six~~] twenty-nine, fix by regulation measures for the management of
7 black sea bass (*Centropristis striata*), including size limits, catch and
8 possession limits, open and closed seasons, closed areas, restrictions
9 on the manner of taking and landing, requirements for permits and eligi-
10 bility therefor, recordkeeping requirements, requirements on the amount
11 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
17 provisions of fishery management plans adopted pursuant to the Federal
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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