

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. BUTTENSCHON -- read once and referred to the  
Committee on Environmental Conservation

### CONCURRENT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY

proposing an amendment to the constitution, in relation to the right to  
hunt, trap and fish

1 Section 1. Resolved (if the Senate concur), That article 20 of the  
2 constitution be renumbered article 21 and a new article 20 be added to  
3 read as follows:

#### ARTICLE XX

#### Right to Hunt, Trap and Fish

6 Section 1. Hunting, trapping, and fishing and the taking of wild  
7 animals, birds and fish are a valued part of our heritage and will be  
8 forever preserved for the people. Fish and wildlife shall be managed by  
9 state laws and regulations that provide persons with the continued  
10 opportunity to take, by traditional means and methods, species tradi-  
11 tionally pursued by hunters, anglers and trappers. Fish and wildlife  
12 management, including taking, shall be consistent with the state's duty  
13 to protect this heritage and its duty to conserve wild animals, birds,  
14 and fish, and shall be subject to reasonable regulation as prescribed by  
15 state statute.

16 § 2. Resolved (if the Senate concur), That the foregoing amendment be  
17 referred to the first regular legislative session convening after the  
18 next succeeding general election of members of the Assembly, and, in  
19 conformity with section 1 of article 19 of the constitution, be  
20 published for 3 months previous to the time of such election.

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

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