STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

April 24, 2026

Introduced by Sen. FERNANDEZ -- (at request of the Department of Environmental Conservation) -- 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 extending the authority of the department of environmental conservation to restrict the taking of fish, shellfish and crustacea in special management areas

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

Section 1. Subdivision 3 of section 13-0360 of the environmental conservation law, as amended by chapter 315 of the laws of 2023, is amended to read as follows:

3. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the department may, until December thirty-first, two thousand [~~twenty-six~~] twenty-nine, adopt regulations restricting the taking of fish, shellfish and crustacea in any special management area designated pursuant to subdivision two of this section. Such regulations may restrict the manner of taking of fish, shellfish and crustacea in such areas and the landing of fish, shellfish and crustacea which have been taken therefrom. Such regulations shall be consistent with all relevant federal and interstate fisheries management plans and with the marine fisheries conservation and management policy set forth in section 13-0105 of this article.

§ 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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