

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN SENATE

April 27, 2026

Introduced by Sen. FAHY -- (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 manage sharks

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 4 of section 13-0338 of the environmental  
2 conservation law, as amended by chapter 318 of the laws of 2023, is  
3 amended to read as follows:  
4 4. The department may, until December thirty-first, two thousand  
5 [~~twenty-six~~] twenty-nine, fix by regulation measures for the management  
6 of sharks, including size limits, catch and possession limits, open and  
7 closed seasons, closed areas, restrictions on the manner of taking and  
8 landing, requirements for permits and eligibility therefor, recordkeep-  
9 ing requirements, requirements on the amount and type of fishing effort  
10 and gear, and requirements relating to transportation, possession and  
11 sale, provided that such regulations are no less restrictive than  
12 requirements set forth in this chapter and provided further that such  
13 regulations are consistent with the compliance requirements of applica-  
14 ble fishery management plans adopted by the Atlantic States Marine Fish-  
15 eries Commission and with applicable provisions of fishery management  
16 plans adopted pursuant to the Federal Fishery Conservation and Manage-  
17 ment Act (16 U.S.C. §1800 et seq.).  
18 § 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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