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Introduced by Sen. GALLIVAN -- 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 removing requirements that a parent, guardian or person and the minor remain at ground level at all times while deer hunting

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subdivision 1 of section 11-0935 of the
2 environmental conservation law, as added by section 1 of part ZZ of
3 chapter 55 of the laws of 2021, is amended to read as follows:

4 (b) such parent, guardian or person has had at least three [~~year's~~]
5 years' experience in hunting deer; and

6 (i) such parent, guardian or person holds a hunting license; and

7 (ii) such parent, guardian or person maintains physical control over
8 the minor at all times while hunting. For the purposes of this paragraph
9 "physical control" shall mean that the physical proximity of such minor
10 to the parent, guardian or person is such that the parent, guardian or
11 person is reasonably able to issue verbal directions and instructions,
12 maintain constant visual contact, and otherwise provide guidance and
13 supervision to the minor; and

14 [~~(iii) such parent, guardian or person and the minor remain at ground~~
15 ~~level at all times while hunting; and~~]

16 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, that
17 the amendments made to subdivision 1 of section 11-0935 of the environ-
18 mental conservation law made by section one of this act shall not affect
19 the repeal of such section and shall be deemed repealed therewith.

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

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