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# IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. HARCKHAM -- 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 authorizing the department of environmental conservation to independently add to the lists of prohibited and regulated invasive species on an emergency basis

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

Section 1. Section 9-1709 of the environmental conservation law is amended by adding a new subdivision 3 to read as follows:

**3. Notwithstanding any provision of law, rule or regulation to the contrary, the department shall have the authority to independently add to the lists of prohibited and regulated invasive species on an emergency basis pending review by the department of agriculture and markets in consultation with the council.**

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall have become a law.

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

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