STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

January 28, 2026

Introduced by Sen. C. RYAN -- 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 standards relating to hydrofluorocarbon substances

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

Section 1. Section 19-0301 of the environmental conservation law is amended by adding a new subdivision 6 to read as follows:

6. a. Any rules or regulations relating to hydrofluorocarbon substances established or implemented by the department shall conform with, and shall not exceed, any applicable rules or regulations set forth in 40 C.F.R. Part 84, as in effect on October first, two thousand twenty-five. For purposes of this subdivision, "hydrofluorocarbon substances" shall mean any substances used in air conditioning and refrigeration equipment, aerosol propellants, foams, or solvents, as listed or regulated pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 7675 and its implementing regulations at 40 C.F.R. Part 84.

b. Any state regulation, requirement, or prohibition relating to hydrofluorocarbon substances that imposes standards more stringent than those set forth in 40 C.F.R. Part 84, as in effect on October first, two thousand twenty-five, is hereby repealed, superseded, and of no further force or effect to the extent it is more stringent than such applicable federal regulation.

c. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to:

(1) limit the state's authority to regulate greenhouse gas emissions generally pursuant to article seventy-five of this chapter;

(2) restrict programs addressing energy efficiency, electrification, refrigerant reclamation, or other measures consistent with the New York state climate leadership and community protection act; or

(3) prevent the department from enforcing labeling, reporting, or reclamation requirements identical to federal requirements for purposes of consistency and compliance assistance.

§ 2. Severability. If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section or part of this act shall be adjudged by any court of competent

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

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jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered. It is hereby declared to be the intent of the legislature that this act would have been enacted even if such invalid provisions had not been included herein.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately.