

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE

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ASSEMBLY, No. 2380

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

222nd LEGISLATURE

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SUMMARY

- Synopsis:** Requires creation of license plates that allow disabled veterans to park in parking spots reserved for persons with disabilities.
- Type of Impact:** Potential annual State revenue and expenditure increases.
- Agencies Affected:** New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission; Department of Community Affairs.

Office of Legislative Services Estimate

Fiscal Impact	Year 1	Thereafter
Potential State Expenditure Increase	At least \$46,423	Indeterminate
Potential State Revenue Increase	\$65,000 to \$327,500	Indeterminate

- The Office of Legislative Services (OLS) finds that the bill will potentially produce annual State revenue and expenditure increases.
- In response to a FY 2025 OLS Discussion Point, the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission indicated that it faced an upfront cost of \$46,423 to set up a license plate program, which includes computer changes and an initial print run of 900 license plates.
- There are approximately 39,400 veterans living in New Jersey with a disability rating of 30 percent to 90 percent. However, the bill only applies to veterans with a service-connected disability rating of 70 percent or higher that causes a walking impairment. Because information is not available on this specific population of disabled veterans in the State, for the purposes of this analysis, the OLS assumes that 33.3 percent, or roughly 13,100 disabled veterans, are eligible for the disabled veteran license plates issued under the bill. Moreover, the OLS estimates that approximately 10 percent to 50 percent of that disabled veteran population, or 1,310 to 6,550 disabled veterans, will apply for the disabled veteran license plate. Based on these assumptions, the OLS estimates that the bill will generate \$65,500 to \$327,500 in revenue from application fees for the disabled veteran license plates in the first year of enactment.

BILL DESCRIPTION

This bill requires the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission to issue, upon application, disabled veteran license plates that display the words “Disabled Veteran” and a wheelchair symbol for any motor vehicle owned or leased and registered in the State by a disabled veteran or by a person furnishing transportation on behalf of a disabled veteran. There is to be a one-time license plate application fee of \$50 payable to the commission.

After deducting the costs to implement the license plate program, the commission is to deposit the remaining license plate application fees into the Veteran Housing Fund established by the bill. The proceeds of the fund are to be used to supplement current State and federal funding for veteran housing programs administered by the State.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

None received.

OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

The OLS finds that the bill will potentially produce annual State revenue and expenditure increases that will largely offset one another.

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Motor Vehicle Commission: Computer Programming Costs for New Plate Design		
Description of Work	Hours	Total
Scope of Work Specifications	85	\$11,197.41
Development	145	\$16,255.45
System Testing	89.5	\$10,033.54
Production Implementation	24	\$2,705.47
Total Computer Programming Costs	343.5	\$40,191.87
Plate Costs		
Sample Plates (10 plates @3.90 each)		\$39.00
Initial Acquisition Plates (900 plates @ \$6.88 each)		\$6,192.00
Total Specialty License Plate Costs		\$46,422.87

Using data compiled by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, the OLS estimates that there are approximately 39,400 veterans living in New Jersey with a disability rating of 30 percent to 90 percent. Notably, the bill only applies to disabled veterans with a service-connected disability rating of 70 percent or higher that causes a walking impairment. Because information is not available on this specific population of disabled veterans in the State, for the purposes of this analysis, the OLS assumes that 33.3 percent, or roughly 13,100 disabled veterans, are eligible for the disabled veteran license plates issued under the bill. Moreover, the OLS estimates that approximately 10 percent to 50 percent of this population, or 1,310 to 6,550 disabled veterans, will

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