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SYNOPSIS

Establishes special license plates for veterans.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 AN ACT providing for the issuance of special license plates to
2 veterans and supplementing chapter 3 of Title 39 of the Revised
3 Statutes.

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5 BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
6 of New Jersey:

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8 1. a. Upon application of any person who is classified as a
9 veteran, pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1987, c.444 (C.38A:3-1.2) as
10 evidenced by the applicant's DD-214 form or on a Certificate of
11 Release or Discharge from Active Duty, and has been honorably
12 discharged, the Chief Administrator of the New Jersey Motor
13 Vehicle Commission shall issue, for a motor vehicle owned or
14 leased by the person, distinctive license plates of a design approved
15 by the administrator. In addition to the registration number and
16 other markings or identification prescribed by law, the license
17 plates shall bear the word "Veteran."

18 b. There shall be a fee of \$15 to the applicant for these special
19 plates in addition to the fees otherwise prescribed by law for the
20 registration of motor vehicles. The administrator shall retain from
21 the fees collected such sums as are necessary to defray all costs
22 incurred by the commission in producing and issuing these special
23 license plates.

24 c. The surviving spouse of a deceased veteran, who is eligible
25 to operate a motor vehicle in this State under the provisions of
26 R.S.39:3-10, may retain the special license plates obtained by the
27 deceased spouse pursuant to this section for display on a motor
28 vehicle owned or leased by the surviving spouse.

29 d. The administrator shall notify motorists of the opportunity to
30 obtain these plates by including a notice with all registration
31 renewals, and by posting appropriate posters or signs in all
32 commission facilities and offices.

33 e. The administrator shall promulgate rules and regulations
34 governing the issuance and use of these special license plates.

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36 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the seventh
37 month after enactment.

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STATEMENT

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42 This bill authorizes the Chief Administrator of the New Jersey
43 Motor Vehicle Commission to issue special license plates to
44 honorably discharged veterans.

45 The license plates authorized by this bill are to bear a design
46 approved by the administrator identifying the registrant as a
47 veteran, in addition to other markings or identification otherwise

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1 prescribed by law. A \$15 application fee is required to obtain the
2 special plates, in addition to the normal registration fee. The bill
3 authorizes the administrator to promulgate rules and regulations
4 governing the issuance and use of these plates. The bill allows
5 surviving spouses of deceased veterans to retain the special license
6 plates.