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SYNOPSIS

Authorizes issuance of license plates series honoring military academies that represent five branches of United States military.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 **AN ACT** authorizing the issuance of a series of special license plates
2 honoring the military academies that represent the five branches
3 of the United States military and supplementing Title 39 of the
4 Revised Statutes.

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

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9 1. a. Upon proper application, the Chief Administrator of the
10 New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission shall issue license plates, for
11 any motor vehicle owned or leased and registered in this State, to
12 honor one of the five military academies that represent the five
13 branches of the United States military. The chief administrator shall,
14 in consultation with the Adjutant General of the New Jersey
15 Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs, select the design and
16 color scheme for each of the military academy license plates. In
17 addition to the registration number and other markings or
18 identification otherwise prescribed by law, a license plate shall
19 display appropriate words or a slogan and emblem to honor each of
20 the following:

- 21 (1) The United States Military Academy;
22 (2) The United States Naval Academy;
23 (3) The United States Air Force Academy;
24 (4) The United States Merchant Marine Academy; and
25 (5) The United States Coast Guard Academy.

26 The military academy license plates authorized under paragraph
27 (1) through (5) of this section shall be subject to the provisions of
28 chapter 3 of Title 39 of the Revised Statutes, except as hereinafter
29 otherwise provided.

30 b. Application for issuance of a set of military academy license
31 plates, issued pursuant to paragraph (1) through (5) of subsection a.
32 of this section, shall be made to the chief administrator on forms and
33 in a manner prescribed by the chief administrator. In order to be
34 deemed complete, an application shall be accompanied by a fee of
35 \$15, payable to the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission, which
36 shall be in addition to the fees otherwise prescribed by law for the
37 registration of a motor vehicle.

38 c. The chief administrator shall notify eligible motorists of the
39 opportunity to obtain a set of military academy license plates by
40 publicizing the availability of the license plates on the commission's
41 website.

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43 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the thirteenth
44 month after the date of enactment and the Chief Administrator of the
45 New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission may take such
46 administrative action in advance as may be necessary for the timely
47 implementation of this act.

STATEMENT

This bill authorizes the issuance of a series of special license plates honoring the military academies that represent the five branches of the United States military.

The bill provides that the Chief Administrator of the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission (chief administrator), in consultation with the Adjutant General of the New Jersey Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs, is to select the design and color scheme for each of the military academy license plates. In addition to the registration number and other markings or identification otherwise prescribed by law, a license plate is to be created to honor each of the following:

- 1) The United States Military Academy;
- 2) The United States Naval Academy;
- 3) The United States Air Force Academy;
- 4) The United States Merchant Marine Academy; and
- 5) The United States Coast Guard Academy.

In addition to all fees otherwise required by law for the registration of a motor vehicle, there is a fee of \$15 for the military academy license plates. The chief administrator is required to notify eligible motorists of the opportunity to obtain a set of military academy license plates by publicizing the availability of the license plates on the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission's website.