

# SENATE, No. 3834

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 219th LEGISLATURE

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**SYNOPSIS**

Authorizes creation of Type 1 diabetes support recovery license plates.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



1   **AN ACT** authorizing the creation and issuance of Type 1 diabetes  
2       support recovery license plates and supplementing Title 39 of the  
3       Revised 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 proper application, the Chief Administrator of the  
9       New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission shall issue Type 1 diabetes  
10      support recovery license plates for any motor vehicle owned or  
11      leased and registered in this State. In addition to the registration  
12      number and other markings or identification otherwise prescribed  
13      by law, the license plates shall display an emblem, consisting of a  
14      teal ribbon with a red droplet in the center, and the words "Cure  
15      Type 1 Diabetes" beneath the image. The chief administrator shall,  
16      in consultation with the Commissioner of the Department of Human  
17      Services, select the design and color scheme of the Type 1 diabetes  
18      support recovery license plates. The Type 1 diabetes support  
19      recovery license plates shall be subject to the provisions of chapter  
20      3 of Title 39 of the Revised Statutes, except as hereinafter otherwise  
21      provided.

22      b.   Application for issuance of Type 1 diabetes support recovery  
23      license plates shall be made to the chief administrator on forms and  
24      in a manner prescribed by the chief administrator. In order to be  
25      deemed complete, an application shall be accompanied by a fee of  
26      \$50, payable to the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission, which  
27      shall be in addition to the fees otherwise prescribed by law for the  
28      registration of a motor vehicle. The chief administrator shall collect  
29      annually, subsequent to the year of issuance of the Type 1 diabetes  
30      support recovery license plates, a \$10 fee for the license plates in  
31      addition to the fees otherwise prescribed by law for the registration  
32      of a motor vehicle. The additional fees required by this subsection  
33      shall be deposited in the "Type 1 Diabetes License Plate Fund"  
34      created pursuant to subsection c. of this section.

35      c.   There is created in the Department of the Treasury a special  
36      non-lapsing fund to be known as the "Type 1 Diabetes License  
37      Plate Fund." There shall be deposited in the fund the amount  
38      collected from all license plate fees collected pursuant to subsection  
39      b. of this section, less the amounts necessary to reimburse the  
40      commission for administrative costs pursuant to subsection d. of  
41      this section. The monies deposited in the fund shall be appropriated  
42      annually to the Department of Health and shall be used to provide  
43      grant funding to organizations that research cures or treatments for  
44      Type 1 diabetes or that provide resources to individuals living with  
45      Type 1 diabetes for the management of the disease.

46      Monies deposited in the fund shall be held in interest-bearing  
47      accounts in public depositories as defined pursuant to section 1 of  
48      P.L.1970, c.236 (C.17:9-41), and may be invested or reinvested in

1 securities approved by the State Treasurer. Interest or other income  
2 earned on monies deposited into the fund, and any monies which  
3 may be appropriated or otherwise become available for purposes of  
4 the fund, shall be credited to and deposited in the fund for use as set  
5 forth in P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as  
6 this bill).

7 d. Prior to the deposit of the additional fees collected pursuant  
8 to subsection b. of this section into the “Type 1 Diabetes License  
9 Plate Fund,” amounts thereof as are necessary shall be used to  
10 reimburse the commission for all costs reasonably and actually  
11 incurred, as stipulated by the chief administrator for:

12 (1) designing, producing, issuing, renewing, and publicizing the  
13 availability of the Type 1 diabetes support recovery license plates;  
14 and

15 (2) any computer programming changes that may be initially  
16 necessary to implement the Type 1 diabetes support recovery  
17 license plate program in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.

18 The chief administrator shall annually certify to the State  
19 Treasurer the average cost per license plate incurred in the  
20 immediately preceding year by the commission in producing,  
21 issuing, renewing, and publicizing the availability of the Type 1  
22 diabetes support recovery license plates. The annual certification of  
23 the average cost per license plate shall be approved by the Joint  
24 Budget Oversight Committee, or its successor.

25 In the event that the average cost per license plate as certified by  
26 the chief administrator and approved by the Joint Budget Oversight  
27 Committee, or its successor, is greater than the \$50 application fee  
28 established in subsection b. of this section in two consecutive fiscal  
29 years, the chief administrator may discontinue the issuance of Type  
30 1 diabetes support recovery license plates.

31 e. The chief administrator shall notify eligible motorists of the  
32 opportunity to obtain Type 1 diabetes support recovery license  
33 plates by publicizing the availability of the license plates on the  
34 commission’s website. The Department of Health and any other  
35 individual or entity designated by the department, may publicize the  
36 availability of the Type 1 diabetes support recovery license plates in  
37 any manner that the department deems appropriate.

38 f. The chief administrator and the commissioner shall develop  
39 and enter into an inter-departmental memorandum of agreement  
40 setting forth the procedures to be followed in carrying out their  
41 respective responsibilities under P.L. , c., (C. ) (pending  
42 before the Legislature as this bill).

43 g. The commissioner shall appoint a representative who shall  
44 act as a liaison between the Department of Health and the  
45 commission. The liaison shall represent the department in any and  
46 all communications with the commission regarding the Type 1  
47 diabetes support recovery license plates established by  
48 P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as this bill).

1        2. a. State or public funds shall not be used by the commission  
2 for the initial cost of:

3        (1) designing, producing, issuing, and publicizing the  
4 availability of Type 1 diabetes support recovery license plates; or  
5        (2) any computer programming changes which may be  
6 necessary to implement the Type 1 diabetes support recovery  
7 license plate program established by P.L. , c. (C. )  
8 (pending before the Legislature as this bill).

9        b. An individual or entity designated by the Department of  
10 Health, shall contribute non-public monies in an amount to be  
11 determined by the chief administrator, not to exceed a total of  
12 \$25,000, to be used to offset the initial costs incurred by the  
13 commission for designing, producing, issuing, and publicizing the  
14 availability of the Type 1 diabetes support recovery license plates,  
15 and any computer programming which may be necessary to  
16 implement the program. Concerned organizations and individual  
17 donors may contribute monies to the department to be used to offset  
18 the initial costs incurred by the commission for the Type 1 diabetes  
19 support recovery license plates authorized by  
20 P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as this bill).  
21 Any amount remaining after the payment of the initial cost shall be  
22 deposited in the "Type 1 Diabetes License Plate Fund" established  
23 pursuant to subsection c. of section 1 of P.L. , c. (C. )  
24 (pending before the Legislature as this bill).

25        c. The commission shall not begin designing, producing,  
26 issuing, or publicizing the availability of Type 1 diabetes support  
27 recovery license plates, or making any necessary programming  
28 changes, until the following requirements have been met:

29        (1) an individual or entity designated by the Department of  
30 Health, has provided the commission with the non-public monies  
31 necessary, as determined by the chief administrator pursuant to  
32 subsection b. of this section, to offset the initial costs incurred by  
33 the commission in establishing the Type 1 diabetes support  
34 recovery license plate program; and

35        (2) the liaison appointed by the department pursuant to  
36 subsection g. of section 1 of P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending before  
37 the Legislature as this bill) has provided the commission with not  
38 less than 500 completed applications for Type 1 diabetes support  
39 recovery license plates. These applications shall constitute the  
40 initial order for Type 1 diabetes support recovery license plates and  
41 shall be accompanied by a fee representing the total cost of the  
42 initial order. The fee shall be determined by multiplying the  
43 number of sets of license plates being ordered by the applicable  
44 initial fee for each set of license plates as set forth in subsection b.  
45 of section 1 of P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending before the  
46 Legislature as this bill).

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1 an individual or entity designated by the department to contribute  
2 non-public monies, not to exceed \$25,000, to offset the initial costs  
3 to design, produce, issue, and publicize the license plates and for  
4 computer programming changes which may be necessary to  
5 implement the program. The bill authorizes the department to  
6 receive funds from private sources to be used to offset the initial  
7 costs.

8 The commission is not required to design, produce, issue, or  
9 publicize the availability of the license plates, until: (1) the  
10 individual or entity designated by the department has provided the  
11 commission with the money necessary to offset the initial costs  
12 incurred by the commission in establishing the license plate  
13 program; and (2) the department liaison has provided the  
14 commission with a minimum of 500 completed applications for the  
15 license plates.

16 The provisions of the bill will remain inoperative until the first  
17 day of the 13th month after the appropriate applications and fees  
18 required to offset the initial costs incurred by the commission are  
19 provided to the commission. The bill expires on the last day of the  
20 12th month after enactment if sufficient applications and fees to  
21 offset the initial costs are not received by that date.