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Sponsor(s): Ewing

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Senate: Law, Public Safety & Defense

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Senate: February 15, 1990

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SENATE, No. 621

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 1990 SESSION

By Senator EWING

1 AN ACT concerning identification cards for the disabled and  
2 amending P.L.1980, c.47.

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

6 <sup>1</sup>[1. Section 4 of P.L.1980, c.47 (C.39:3-29.5) is amended to  
7 read as follows:

8 4. Each original identification card authorized by section 2 of  
9 this act shall [expire, unless canceled earlier, 2 years from its  
10 date of issuance, and shall be renewable upon the request of the  
11 bearer of the card, pursuant to terms of license renewal  
12 established by the Division of Motor Vehicles, and], upon payment  
13 by the applicant of a fee as established in section 6 of this act, be  
14 valid for the life of the bearer unless canceled by the bearer.  
15 Cards issued prior to the effective date of this amendatory act  
16 and valid upon that date shall be valid for the life of the bearer  
17 unless canceled by the bearer.

18 (cf: P.L.1980, c.47, s.4)]<sup>1</sup>

19 <sup>1</sup>1. Section 4 of P.L.1980, c.47 (C.39:3-29.5) is amended to  
20 read as follows:

21 4. Each original identification card authorized by section 2 of  
22 this act shall, unless canceled earlier, be valid for 48 calendar  
23 months from its date of issuance, and shall be renewable upon the  
24 request of the bearer of the card, pursuant to terms of license  
25 renewal established by the Division of Motor Vehicles, and upon  
26 payment of a fee as [established in] required by section 6 of this  
27 act. An identification card issued pursuant to this act to an  
28 applicant who is blind, disabled, or handicapped shall be valid for  
29 the life of the holder unless canceled by the holder. Cards issued  
30 prior to <sup>2</sup>October 16, 1989 and valid upon<sup>2</sup> the effective date of  
31 this amendatory act <sup>2</sup>[and valid upon that date]<sup>2</sup> shall be valid for  
32 the life of the holder unless canceled by the holder.<sup>1</sup> <sup>2</sup>Cards  
33 issued to blind, disabled or handicapped persons between October  
34 16, 1989 and the effective date of this amendatory act, and which  
35 are valid on the effective date of this act, shall be made valid for  
36 the life of the holder unless canceled by the holder, upon  
37 presentation of proof that the blindness, disability, or handicap  
38 existed at the time of the original application. The director is  
39 authorized to require periodic verification of information

EXPLANATION--Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the  
above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

<sup>1</sup> Senate SLP committee amendments adopted January 25, 1990.

<sup>2</sup> Assembly floor amendments adopted March 8, 1990.

1 included on any identification card issued for or valid for the life  
2 of the holder.<sup>2</sup>

3 (cf: P.L.1989, c.52, s.4)

4 <sup>1</sup>[2. Section 6 of P.L.1980, c.47 (C.39:3-29.7) is amended to  
5 read as follows:

6 6. The Division of Motor Vehicles shall charge fees for the  
7 issuance of original and duplicate identification cards[ and for the  
8 renewal of identification cards] in accordance with the following  
9 schedule:

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| 10 | Issuance of identification card .....  | \$2.00  |
| 11 | [Renewal of identification card .....  | \$2.00] |
| 12 | Duplicate of identification card ..... | \$1.00  |

13 (cf: P.L.1980, c.47, s.6)]<sup>1</sup>

14 <sup>1</sup>2. Section 2 of P.L.1980, c.47 (C.39:3-29.3) is amended to  
15 read as follows:

16 2. The Division of Motor Vehicles shall issue an identification  
17 card to any resident of the State who is 17 years of age or older  
18 and who is not the holder of a valid learner's permit or a valid  
19 driver's license. The identification card shall attest to the true  
20 name, correct age, and other identifying data as certified by the  
21 applicant for such identification card. Every application for an  
22 identification card shall be signed and verified by the applicant  
23 and shall be supported by such documentary evidence of the age  
24 and identity, or blindness, disability, or handicap, of such person  
25 as the division may require.<sup>1</sup>

26 (cf: P.L.1989, c.52, s.2)

27 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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MOTOR VEHICLES

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32 Eliminates renewal requirement for identification cards issued by  
33 DMV to blind, disabled or handicapped persons.

SENATE, No. 621

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel

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STATEMENT

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34 Persons 17 years of age or older who by reason of blindness,  
35 disability, or handicap are unable to obtain a driver's license  
36 may upon application to the Division of Motor Vehicles be issued  
37 an identification card. These cards have proven useful in  
38 establishing the identity of these persons in much the same

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2 these cards be renewed every two years has been troublesome  
3 for some card holders, particularly the blind for whom  
4 contending with forms, checks, and mail tends to be difficult.  
5 This bill addresses that problem. It removes the renewal  
6 requirement and provides that these cards be valid for the life  
7 of the card holder.

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Eliminates renewal requirement for handicapped identification  
13 cards.

SENATE LAW, PUBLIC SAFETY AND DEFENSE COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 621**

with Senate committee amendments

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: JANUARY 25, 1990

The Senate Law, Public Safety and Defense Committee reports favorably Senate Bill 621 with amendments.

A person 17 years of age or older who does not have a driver's license or learner's permit may obtain from the Division of Motor Vehicles an identification card. These cards are valid for a period of four years, contain a color photograph of the holder, and are of a distinctive blue color. They are useful in establishing the identity and age of the holder in much the same manner as a driver's license.

However, the requirement that these cards be renewed every four years is troublesome for blind, disabled, or handicapped card holders for whom contending with forms, checks, and the mail tends to be difficult. This bill addresses that problem. It removes the renewal requirement for holders of identification cards who are blind, disabled, or handicapped and provides that these cards be valid for the life of the card holder.

The committee amendments are technical in nature and are necessary in order to reflect recent changes made to the Identification Cards for Nondrivers Act (P.L.1980, c.47; C.39:3-29.2 et seq.) by P.L.1989, c.52, enacted on April 14, 1989.

This bill was pre-filed for introduction in the 1990 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review which has been performed.