39:3-27.5

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SENATE, No. 1341

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 209th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED MAY 22, 2000

Sponsored by: Senator ANTHONY R. BUCCO District 25 (Morris)

Co-Sponsored by: Senator Martin, Assemblymen Felice, Garrett and Geist

SYNOPSIS Provides for license plates identifying amateur radio operators.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 12/18/2001)

AN ACT concerning license plates for amateur radio operators and 1 2 amending P.L.1968, c.247. 3 4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State 5 of New Jersey: 6 7 1. Section 1 of P.L.1968, c.247, (C.39:3-27.5) is amended to read 8 as follows: 9 1. The Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles shall cause to be 10 issued to applicants who hold amateur radio licenses issued by the 11 Federal Communications Commission, registration plates for motor 12 vehicles owned or leased by the applicants bearing the term "amateur radio" and the amateur radio call letters of the respective applicants. 13 14 [Where such call letters consist of less than six letters, the] The director, upon request, shall cause to be issued duplicate plates, with 15 such marks as the director may deem appropriate to distinguish them 16 17 from the original plates, for any additional motor vehicle which an 18 applicant may register. 19 (cf: P.L.1977, c.398, s.1) 20 21 2. Section 2 of P.L.1968, c.247 (C.39:3-27.6) is amended to read 22 as follows: 23 2. Application for registration of such motor vehicles and for the 24 issuance of such amateur radio call letter registration plates shall be 25 made in such form and accompanied by such proof as the director shall 26 prescribe. An additional fee of [\$10.00] <u>\$15</u> shall be paid for the 27 issuance or replacement of any such plates. 28 (cf: P.L.1968, c.247, s.2) 29 30 3. This act shall take effect on the 31st day after enactment. 31 32 **STATEMENT** 33 34 35 Under the current law, an amateur radio operator is permitted to 36 display his amateur radio call letters on his license plates. Under this bill, the words "amateur radio" also would be displayed on the license 37 38 plates. The purpose of the bill is to enable the public to readily 39 identify amateur radio operators, especially in times of emergency. 40 The bill also increases the fee for the issuance of these license plates 41 from \$10 to \$15.

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

Matter underlined <u>thus</u> is new matter.

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1341

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: SEPTEMBER 14, 2000

The Senate Transportation Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 1341.

Under the current law, an amateur radio operator is permitted to display his amateur radio call letters on his license plates. Under this bill, the words "amateur radio" also would be displayed on the license plates. The purpose of the bill is to enable the public to readily identify amateur radio operators, especially in times of emergency. The bill also increases the fee for the issuance of these license plates from \$10 to \$15.

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1341

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 6, 2001

The Assembly Transportation Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 1341.

Under the current law, an amateur radio operator is permitted to display amateur radio call letters on the operator's license plates. Under this bill, the words "amateur radio" also would be displayed on the license plates. The purpose of the bill is to enable the public to readily identify amateur radio operators, especially in times of emergency. The bill also increases the fee for the issuance or replacement of these license plates from \$10 to \$15.

Senate Bill No. 1341 is identical to Assembly Bill No. 1593 which was also reported by the committee today.

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE SENATE, No. 1341 STATE OF NEW JERSEY 209th LEGISLATURE

DATED: JANUARY 16, 2002

SUMMARY

| Synopsis: | Provides for license plates identifying amateur radio operators. |
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| Type of Impact: | New expenditure from General Fund offset by new revenue. |
| Agencies Affected: | Division of Motor Vehicles, Department of Transportation. |

Office of Legislative Services Estimate

| Fiscal Impact | <u>Year 1</u> | <u>Year 2</u> | <u>Year 3</u> |
|---------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| State Cost | \$12 per plate set | \$12 per plate set | \$12 per plate set |
| State Revenue | \$15 per plate set | \$15 per plate set | \$15 per plate set |

- ! Provides that the term "amateur radio" be included on special license plates previously authorized for holder of an amateur radio license. Currently, only the amateur radio call letters may be displayed on the special plates.
- Increases special plate fee from \$10 to \$15 for issuance or replacement which is in addition to fees otherwise charged for vehicle registration.

BILL DESCRIPTION

Senate Bill No. 1341 of 2000 amends P.L.1968, c.247 (C.39:3-27.5 et seq.), which authorized the issuance of special license plates to vehicle registrants who hold amateur radio licenses issued by the Federal Communications Commission. Specifically, the bill authorizes the term "amateur radio" to be included on the special plates; currently, the plates may only display the amateur radio call letters. In addition, the bill increases the fee for these special plates from \$10 to \$15.



FISCAL ANALYSIS

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

None received.

OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

For special license plates that have an issuance limited to certain eligible people, the Division of Motor Vehicles estimates a cost of \$12 to produce and issue such plates. Although the Office of Legislative Services is unable to estimate the number of qualified persons who would be interested in obtaining these special plates, the required \$15 fee for the plates should be sufficient to cover the costs of their production and issuance.

| Section: | Authorities, Utilities, Transportation and Communications |
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| Analyst: | Rusty Lachenauer Lead Fiscal Analyst |
| Approved: | Alan R. Kooney Legislative Budget and Finance Officer |

This legislative fiscal estimate has been produced by the Office of Legislative Services due to the failure of the Executive Branch to respond to our request for a fiscal note.

This fiscal estimate has been prepared pursuant to P.L.1980, c.67.

ASSEMBLY, No. 1593 STATE OF NEW JERSEY 209th LEGISLATURE

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2000 SESSION

Sponsored by: Assemblyman NICHOLAS R. FELICE District 40 (Bergen and Passaic) Assemblyman E. SCOTT GARRETT District 24 (Sussex, Hunterdon and Morris)

Co-Sponsored by: Assemblyman Geist

SYNOPSIS

Provides for license plates identifying amateur radio operators.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 9/22/2000)

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AN ACT concerning license plates for amateur radio operators and 1 2 amending P.L.1968, c.247. 3 4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State 5 of New Jersey: 6 7 1. Section 1 of P.L.1968, c.247, (C.39:3-27.5) is amended to read 8 as follows: 9 1. The Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles shall cause to be 10 issued to applicants who hold amateur radio licenses issued by the 11 Federal Communications Commission, registration plates for motor 12 vehicles owned or leased by the applicants bearing the term "amateur radio" and the amateur radio call letters of the respective applicants. 13 14 [Where such call letters consist of less than six letters, the] The director, upon request, shall cause to be issued duplicate plates, with 15 such marks as the director may deem appropriate to distinguish them 16 17 from the original plates, for any additional motor vehicle which an 18 applicant may register. 19 (cf: P.L.1977, c.398, s.1) 20 21 2. Section 2 of P.L.1968, c.247 (C.39:3-27.6) is amended to read 22 as follows: 23 2. Application for registration of such motor vehicles and for the 24 issuance of such amateur radio call letter registration plates shall be 25 made in such form and accompanied by such proof as the director shall 26 prescribe. An additional fee of [\$10.00] <u>\$15</u> shall be paid for the 27 issuance or replacement of any such plates. 28 (cf: P.L.1968, c.247, s.2) 29 30 3. This act shall take effect on the 31st day after enactment. 31 32 **STATEMENT** 33 34 35 Under the current law, an amateur radio operator is permitted to 36 display his amateur radio call letters on his license plates. Under this bill, the words "amateur radio" also would be displayed on the license 37 38 plates. The purpose of the bill is to enable the public to readily 39 identify amateur radio operators, especially in times of emergency. 40 The bill also increases the fee for the issuance of these license plates 41 from \$10 to \$15, which is consistent with the current fees for the 42 issuance of other special license plates.

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ASSEMBLY, No. 1593 STATE OF NEW JERSEY 209th LEGISLATURE

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2000 SESSION

Sponsored by: Assemblyman NICHOLAS R. FELICE District 40 (Bergen and Passaic) Assemblyman E. SCOTT GARRETT District 24 (Sussex, Hunterdon and Morris)

Co-Sponsored by: Assemblyman Geist

SYNOPSIS

Provides for license plates identifying amateur radio operators.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Transportation Committee with technical review.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 9/22/2000)

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1 AN ACT concerning license plates for amateur radio operators and 2 amending P.L.1968, c.247. 3 4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State 5 of New Jersey: 6 7 1. Section 1 of P.L.1968, c.247, (C.39:3-27.5) is amended to read 8 as follows: 9 1. The Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles shall cause to be 10 issued to applicants who hold amateur radio licenses issued by the 11 Federal Communications Commission, registration plates for motor 12 vehicles owned or leased by the applicants bearing the term "amateur radio" and the amateur radio call letters of the respective applicants. 13 14 [Where such call letters consist of less than six letters, the] The director, upon request, shall cause to be issued duplicate plates, with 15 such marks as the director may deem appropriate to distinguish them 16 17 from the original plates, for any additional motor vehicle which an 18 applicant may register. 19 (cf: P.L.1977, c.398, s.1) 20 21 2. Section 2 of P.L.1968, c.247 (C.39:3-27.6) is amended to read 22 as follows: 23 2. Application for registration of such motor vehicles and for the 24 issuance of such amateur radio call letter registration plates shall be 25 made in such form and accompanied by such proof as the director shall 26 prescribe. An additional fee of [\$10.00] <u>\$15</u> shall be paid for the 27 issuance or replacement of any such plates. 28 (cf: P.L.1968, c.247, s.2) 29 30 3. This act shall take effect on the 31st day after enactment.

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STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1593

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 6, 2001

The Assembly Transportation Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 1593.

Under the current law, an amateur radio operator is permitted to display amateur radio call letters on the operator's license plates. Under this bill, the words "amateur radio" also would be displayed on the license plates. The purpose of the bill is to enable the public to readily identify amateur radio operators, especially in times of emergency. The bill also increases the fee for the issuance or replacement of these license plates from \$10 to \$15.

Assembly Bill No. 1593 is identical to Senate Bill No. 1341 which was also reported by the committee today.

Technical review was performed on this pre-filed bill and the changes required by technical review have been made, as required under Joint Rule 18A of the Senate and General Assembly.

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE ASSEMBLY, No. 1593 STATE OF NEW JERSEY 209th LEGISLATURE

DATED: JANUARY 22, 2002

SUMMARY

| Synopsis: | Provides for license plates identifying amateur radio operators. |
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| Type of Impact: | New expenditure from General Fund offset by new revenue. |
| Agencies Affected: | Division of Motor Vehicles, Department of Transportation. |

Office of Legislative Services Estimate

| Fiscal Impact | <u>Year 1</u> | <u>Year 2</u> | <u>Year 3</u> |
|---------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| State Cost | \$12 per plate set | \$12 per plate set | \$12 per plate set |
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- Provides that the term "amateur radio" be included on special license plates previously authorized for holder of an amateur radio license. Currently, only the amateur radio call letters may be displayed on the special plates.
- Increases special plate fee from \$10 to \$15 for issuance or replacement which is in addition to fees otherwise charged for vehicle registration.

BILL DESCRIPTION

Assembly Bill No. 1593 of 2000 amends P.L.1968, c.247 (C.39:3-27.5 et seq.), which authorized the issuance of special license plates to vehicle registrants who hold amateur radio licenses issued by the Federal Communications Commission. Specifically, the bill authorizes the term "amateur radio" to be included on the special plates; currently, the plates may only display the amateur radio call letters. In addition, the bill increases the fee for these special plates from \$10 to \$15.



FISCAL ANALYSIS

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

None received.

OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

For special license plates that have an issuance limited to certain eligible people, the Division of Motor Vehicles estimates a cost of \$12 to produce and issue such plates. Although the Office of Legislative Services is unable to estimate the number of qualified persons who would be interested in obtaining these special plates, the required \$15 fee for the plates should be sufficient to cover the costs of their production and issuance.

| Section: | Authorities, Utilities, Transportation and Communications |
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| Analyst: | Rusty Lachenauer Lead Fiscal Analyst |
| Approved: | Alan R. Kooney Legislative Budget and Finance Officer |

This legislative fiscal estimate has been produced by the Office of Legislative Services due to the failure of the Executive Branch to respond to our request for a fiscal note.

This fiscal estimate has been prepared pursuant to P.L.1980, c.67.

P.L. 2001, CHAPTER 280, *approved December 27, 2001* Senate, No. 1341

1 AN ACT concerning license plates for amateur radio operators and 2 amending P.L.1968, c.247. 3 4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State 5 of New Jersey: 6 7 1. Section 1 of P.L.1968, c.247, (C.39:3-27.5) is amended to read 8 as follows: 9 1. The Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles shall cause to be 10 issued to applicants who hold amateur radio licenses issued by the Federal Communications Commission, registration plates for motor 11 12 vehicles <u>owned or leased by the applicants</u> bearing the <u>term "amateur</u> 13 radio" and the amateur radio call letters of the respective applicants. 14 [Where such call letters consist of less than six letters, the] The 15 director, upon request, shall cause to be issued duplicate plates, with such marks as the director may deem appropriate to distinguish them 16 from the original plates, for any additional motor vehicle which an 17 18 applicant may register. 19 (cf: P.L.1977, c.398, s.1) 20 21 2. Section 2 of P.L.1968, c.247 (C.39:3-27.6) is amended to read 22 as follows: 23 2. Application for registration of such motor vehicles and for the 24 issuance of such amateur radio call letter registration plates shall be 25 made in such form and accompanied by such proof as the director shall prescribe. An additional fee of [\$10.00] <u>\$15</u> shall be paid for the 26 27 issuance or replacement of any such plates. (cf: P.L.1968, c.247, s.2) 28 29 3. This act shall take effect on the 31st day after enactment. 30 31 32 33 **STATEMENT** 34 35 Under the current law, an amateur radio operator is permitted to 36 display his amateur radio call letters on his license plates. Under this bill, the words "amateur radio" also would be displayed on the license 37 plates. The purpose of the bill is to enable the public to readily 38 39 identify amateur radio operators, especially in times of emergency. The bill also increases the fee for the issuance of these license plates 40 from \$10 to \$15. 41

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3 Provides for license plates identifying amateur radio operators.

CHAPTER 280

AN ACT concerning license plates for amateur radio operators and amending P.L.1968, c.247.

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

1. Section 1 of P.L.1968, c.247 (C.39:3-27.5) is amended to read as follows:

C.39:3-27.5 Amateur radio call letter registration plates.

1. The Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles shall cause to be issued to applicants who hold amateur radio licenses issued by the Federal Communications Commission, registration plates for motor vehicles owned or leased by the applicants bearing the term "amateur radio" and the amateur radio call letters of the respective applicants. The director, upon request, shall cause to be issued duplicate plates, with such marks as the director may deem appropriate to distinguish them from the original plates, for any additional motor vehicle which an applicant may register.

2. Section 2 of P.L.1968, c.247 (C.39:3-27.6) is amended to read as follows:

C.39:3-27.6 Application; form, fee.

2. Application for registration of such motor vehicles and for the issuance of such amateur radio call letter registration plates shall be made in such form and accompanied by such proof as the director shall prescribe. An additional fee of \$15 shall be paid for the issuance or replacement of any such plates.

3. This act shall take effect on the 31st day after enactment.

Approved December 27, 2001.