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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

("Identification cards
for the Disabled Act"--
to be issued by Div. of
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LAWS OF 1980 CHAPTER 47

Bill No. S. 282

Sponsor(s) Dwyer, Hamilton and Weiss

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SENATE, No. 282

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 1980 SESSION

By Senators DWYER, HAMILTON and WEISS

AN ACT concerning identification cards and supplementing chapter
3 of Title 39 of the Revised Statutes.

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

1 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Identifica-
2 Cards for the Disabled Act."

1 2. The Division of Motor Vehicles shall issue an identification
2 card to any resident of the State who is 17 years of age or older
3 and who by reason of blindness, disability or handicap is unable
4 to obtain a driver's license. The identification card shall attest
5 to the true name, correct age, and other identifying data as certi-
6 fied by the applicant for such identification card. Every application
7 for an identification card shall be signed and verified by the appli-
8 cant and shall be supported by such documentary evidence of the
9 blindness, disability or handicap, age and identity of such person
10 as the division may require.

1 3. Every identification card authorized by section 2 of this act
2 shall be issued upon the standard license form prescribed by the
3 Division of Motor Vehicles, except that the card shall be blue, and
4 shall prominently contain the words "For Identification Only."

1 4. Each original identification card ***[and renewal thereof]***
2 authorized by section 2 of this act shall expire, unless canceled
3 earlier, ***[4]*** *2* years from its date of issuance, and shall be
4 renewable upon the request of the bearer of the card, pursuant to
5 terms of license renewal established by the Division of Motor
6 ***[Veihcles]*** *Vehicles*, and upon payment of a fee as established
7 in section 6 of this act.

1 5. In the event an identification card issued under section 2 of
2 this act is lost, destroyed or mutilated, a new name or address is
3 acquired, or there is some other change in the information con-
4 tained on the identification card, the person to whom it was issued

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

5 may obtain a duplicate upon furnishing satisfactory proof of such
6 fact to the division and upon payment of a fee as established in
7 section 6 of this act. Any person who loses an identification card
8 and who, after obtaining a duplicate, finds the original card, shall
9 immediately surrender the original card to the division. The same
10 documentary evidence shall be furnished for a duplicate as for an
11 original identification card.

1 6. The Division of Motor Vehicles shall charge fees for the
2 issuance of original and duplicate identification cards*~~],~~ authorized
3 by section 2 of this act]* and for the renewal of identification cards
4 in accordance with the following schedule:

- 5 Issuance of identification card . . . *~~[\$4.00]~~* *\$2.00*
- 6 Renewal of identification card . . . *~~[\$4.00]~~* *\$2.00*
- 7 Duplicate of identification card \$1.00

1 7. It shall be unlawful for any person:

2 a. To display or cause or permit to be displayed or have in his
3 possession any canceled, fictitious, fraudulently altered, or fraudu-
4 lently obtained identification card;

5 b. To lend his identification card to any other person or know-
6 ingly permit the use thereof by another;

7 c. To display or represent any identification card not issued to
8 him as being his card;

9 d. To permit any unlawful use of an identification card issued
10 to him;

11 e. To do any act forbidden or fail to perform any act required
12 by this act in reference to identification cards;

13 f. To photograph, photostat, duplicate, or in any way reproduce
14 any identification card or facsimile thereof in such a manner that
15 it could be mistaken for a valid identification card, or to display
16 or have in his possession any such photograph, photostat, dupli-
17 cate, reproduction, or facsimile unless authorized by the provisions
18 of this act;

19 g. To alter any identification card in any manner not authorized
20 by this act.

1 8. The Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles shall promul-
2 gate, pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act," P. L. 1968,
3 c. 410 (C. 52:14B-1 et seq.), such rules and regulations as he
4 considers necessary to effectuate the purposes of this act.

1 9. Any person who violates any of the provisions of this act is
2 a disorderly person.

1 10. a. There is appropriated from the General State Fund
2 \$50,000.00 to the Division of Motor Vehicles to implement the
3 provisions of this act.

4 b. All funds received by the division from the fees charged
5 pursuant to section 6 of this act shall be deposited in a separate
6 account to be used to implement the provisions of this act, subject
7 to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and
8 Accounting.

1 11. This act shall take effect January 1 next following its enact-
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STATEMENT

This bill directs the Division of Motor Vehicles to issue identification cards to blind, disabled and handicapped individuals who are unable to obtain a driver's license by reason of their disability. The identification card would resemble a driver's license but would contain the words "For Identification Only" and would be a different color. A fee, significantly less than the driver's license fee, would be charged.

People who cannot drive due to blindness, epilepsy, paraplegia or other physical or mental handicap are severely limited in their attempts to lead a normal life in a variety of ways. One of these is their inability to cash a check because of the evolution of the driver's license as the basic form of identification for check-cashing purposes. This bill will greatly reduce this problem.

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**ASSEMBLY JUDICIARY, LAW, PUBLIC SAFETY AND
DEFENSE COMMITTEE**

STATEMENT TO
SENATE, No. 282
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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 6, 1980

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SENATE LAW, PUBLIC SAFETY AND DEFENSE
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO
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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JANUARY 24, 1980

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The committee adopted a few amendments of a technical nature, and one which would change the renewal period to once every 2 years, as driver's licenses are done. The purpose is to facilitate the computer handling of such applications in the same manner as licenses and to thereby lower the costs of implementing and administering the program. The fees would be concomitantly reduced.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

July 26, 1980

SENATE BILL NO. 282 (OCR)

To the Senate:

Pursuant to Article V, Section I, Paragraph 15 of the Constitution, I am appending to Senate Bill No. 282 (OCR) at the time of signing it, this statement of the items, or parts thereof, to which I object so that each item, or part thereof, so objected to shall not take effect.

On Page 2, Section 10, Line 2: The \$50,000 appropriation is reduced to \$35,000.

This reduction is necessary in order to have the State Budget for fiscal year 1980 comply with the "State Expenditure Limitation Act," (P.L. 1967, C. 67; N.J.S. 52:9H-5 et. seq.).

Respectfully,

/s/ Brendan Byrne

GOVERNOR

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Attest:

/s/ Harold L. Hodes

CHIEF OF STAFF, SECRETARY