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[OFFICIAL COPY REPRINT] SENATE, No. 1335

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED SEPTEMBER 25, 1978

By Senators KENNEDY and GAGLIANO

Referred to Committee on Law, Public Safety and Defense

AN ACT concerning motor vehicles and amending P. L. 1977, c. 369.

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

1 1. Section 1 of P. L. 1977, c. 369 (C. 39:3-27.8) is amended to 2 read as follows:

3 1. Upon the application of any person who is a compensated, partially compensated or volunteer member of any fire department 4 in this State, the director may issue for a motor vehicle owned *or 5 leased* by such person *or owned by the spouse or parent thereof 6 7 or owned by a business firm of which such person is the principal owner or stockholder* a license plate bearing a Maltese Cross and 8 the letters "F.D." The design for such plate shall be approved by 9 10the director.

Upon the application of any person who is a compensated, partially compensated or volunteer member of any first aid or rescue squad in this State, the director may issue for a motor vehicle owned *or leased* by such person *or owned by the spouse or parent thereof or owned by a business firm of which such person is the principal owner or stockholder* a special license plate. The design for such plate shall be approved by the director.

1 2. Section 2 of P. L. 1977, c. 369 (C. 39:3-27.9) is amended to 2 read as follows:

2. The special plate authorized by this act may be issued upon 4 proof, satisfactory to the director, that the applicant is presently 5 a bona fide member of a firefighting department or first aid or 6 rescue squad in this State. The fee for such plate shall be \$15.00 in 7 addition to the fees otherwise prescribed by law for the registration 8 of such motor vehicle.

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

3. Section 3 of P. L. 1977, c. 369 (C. 39:3-27.10) is amended to 1 $\mathbf{2}$ read as follows: 3 3. Any person lawfully in possession of such special plate who resigns, is removed or otherwise terminates or is terminated from 4 his association with such fire department or first aid or rescue 5 6 squad, shall return such special plate to the division within 15 days. *4. For the fiscal year ending June 1981, the fees established 1 hereinabove are appropriated to the Division of Motor Vehicles to 2fund the additional costs incurred in making such plates available.* 3

1 *[4.]* *5.* This act shall take effect on *[the ninetieth day 2 following enactment]* *July 1, 1980*.

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ASSEMBLY TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1335

with Assembly committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 10, 1979

This bill permits the issuance of special license plates for automobiles driven by members of first aid or rescue squads. P. L. 1977, c. 369 already allows for the issuance of special license plates for members of fire departments in New Jersey.

This bill, as amended, allows the Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles to issue special license plates for a motor vehicle owned or leased by any paid, partially compensated or volunteer member of a fire department or any member of a first aid or rescue squad in this State. In addition, the amended bill permits the Director to issue such plates for a motor vehicle owned by the spouse or parent of a fire department, first aid or rescue squad volunteer or for a motor vehicle owned by a business firm of which such volunteer is the principal owner or stockholder.

The fee for the special plate issued to firemen is \$15.00, with the proceeds presently going to the General State Fund. Senate Bill No. 1335 provides for a \$15.00 fee for the issuance of a special plate for members of first aid or rescue squads. The committee amended the bill so that for fiscal year ending June 1981, the fees for the first aid, rescue squad or fire department plates are appropriated to the Division of Motor Vehicles to fund the additional costs incurred in making such plates available.

The act is to take effect on July 1, 1980.

SENATE LAW, PUBLIC SAFETY AND DEFENSE COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO SENATE, No. 1335

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MAY 24, 1979

This bill would allow the Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles to issue special license plates for automobiles owned by paid, partiallypaid or volunteer members of first aid or rescue squads in a design approved by the director. The purpose is to facilitate identification of such vehicles so that members of first aid or rescue squads can respond more quickly to alarms.

The fee for such plates is \$15.00, the same as for such special plates that are authorized for firemen.