# 39:3-4b & 39:3-4c LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

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**LAWS OF**: 2017 **CHAPTER**: 352

**NJSA:** 39:3-4b & 39:3-4c (Concerns temporary registration certificates for automobiles.)

BILL NO: A1918 (Substituted for S3596)

SPONSOR(S) Wisniewski and others

DATE INTRODUCED: 1/27/2016

COMMITTEE: ASSEMBLY: Transportation & Independent Authorities

**SENATE:** Transportation

AMENDED DURING PASSAGE: Yes

**DATE OF PASSAGE:** ASSEMBLY: 1/8/2018

**SENATE:** 1/5/2018

**DATE OF APPROVAL:** 1/16/2018

FOLLOWING ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:

FINAL TEXT OF BILL (Second Reprint enacted)

Yes

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**SPONSOR'S STATEMENT:** (Begins on page 4 of introduced bill) Yes

COMMITTEE STATEMENT: ASSEMBLY: Yes

**SENATE**: Yes

(Audio archived recordings of the committee meetings, corresponding to the date of the committee statement, *may possibly* be found at www.njleg.state.nj.us)

FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT: Yes

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE: No

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LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE: No

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#### P.L. 2017, CHAPTER 352, approved January 16, 2018 Assembly, No. 1918 (Second Reprint)

1 **AN ACT** concerning temporary registration certificates for automobiles and amending P.L.1969, c.301

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

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- 1. Section 1 of P.L.1969, c.301 (C.39:3-4b) is amended to read as follows:
- 1. Any nonresident purchasing an automobile [in the State while enroute to another State or Federal district from a licensed dealer] from a licensed dealer in New Jersey which is to be principally garaged, registered, and titled in another state, a federal district, or <sup>2</sup>[another country] Canada<sup>2</sup>, may register the [same] automobile in New Jersey on a temporary basis.

[Such] A temporary registration shall be made in the following manner: An application in writing, signed by the applicant or by an agent or officer in case the applicant is a corporation, shall be made the [director] chief administrator or [his] the chief administrator's lawful agent, on forms prepared and supplied by the [director] chief administrator, containing the name, address, and age of the owner, together with a description of the character of the automobile, including the name of the maker and the manufacturer's number or the motor number, or both, and any other statement that may be required by the **[**director. If the vehicle is insured by motor vehicle liability insurance as provided for in section 3 of chapter 173 of the laws of 1952, the applicant must file an accompanying certificate, issued by the insurance carrier. An application shall contain the name of the insurer of said vehicle and the policy number.] chief administrator. A temporary registration certificate shall not be issued unless the licensed dealer has confirmed that the vehicle for which the temporary registration is to be issued is insured in accordance with the requirements of the "Motor Vehicle Security-Responsibility Law," P.L.1952, c.173 (C.39:6-23 et seq.), or the corresponding financial responsibility laws of the <sup>2</sup> [state <sup>1</sup>, federal district, or country 1 jurisdiction 2 in which the vehicle is to

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be titled and registered.

Matter underlined  $\underline{thus}$  is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Assembly ATR committee amendments adopted March 6, 2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Senate floor amendments adopted December 18, 2017.

In the event that [such] the insurance is terminated, the insurer shall notify the [director] chief administrator within 30 days, following [such] the termination.

Thereupon the **[**director**]** chief administrator or licensed dealer shall have the power to grant a temporary registration certificate and temporary plates to the owner of any automobile, if over 17 years of age, either directly or through any licensed motor vehicle dealer who is not within the geographical district, application for the temporary registration having been properly made and the required fee **[**therefor**]** paid, and the vehicle being of a type that complies with the requirements of this subtitle. The form and contents of the temporary registration certificate to be issued shall be prescribed by the **[**director**]** chief administrator. The **[**director**]** chief administrator shall maintain a record of all temporary registration certificates issued, and of the contents thereof.

Every temporary registration shall expire and the certificate thereof shall become void on the [twentieth] 30th day following the date on which the certificate was issued; no temporary registration shall be renewed, except as a permanent registration pursuant to [section 39:3-4 of the Revised Statutes] R.S.39:3-4, and after payment of the fees prescribed therein, or as a second temporary registration certificate issued pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1969, c.301 (C.39:3-4c). Each licensed dealer shall remit upon issuance of a second temporary registration certificate the amount due to the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission.<sup>2</sup>

The **[**director**]** chief administrator shall issue temporary registration certificates for the **[**20**]** 30 day registration period, which shall be effective immediately.

Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be subject to a fine not exceeding [\$100.00] \$100, except that for the misstatement of any fact in the application required to be made by the [director] chief administrator, the person making [such statement] the misstatement shall be subject to the penalties provided in [section 39:3-37 of this Title] R.S.39:3-37.

(cf: P.L.1969, c.301, s.1)

- 2. Section 2 of P.L.1969, c.301 (C.39:3-4c) is amended to read as follows:
- 2. The chief administrator may prescribe rules and regulations governing the issuance of temporary registration certificates and temporary plates by motor vehicle dealers, motorized bicycle dealers, and the <a href="New Jersey">New Jersey</a> Motor Vehicle Commission and may require security in sufficient amount to guarantee payment of all fees and moneys to the State of New Jersey and, upon a finding that any abuse has been practiced by any licensed motor vehicle or motorized bicycle dealer, the chief administrator shall have the right

to suspend [such] the dealer's privilege or franchise [to issue such] from issuing temporary registration certificates and plates. Temporary registration certificates for vehicles to be permanently registered in New Jersey or any other jurisdiction shall be valid for a period of 30 days. In the event permanent registration has been delayed by reason of a lost title certificate or failure of a lien holder to timely turn over a certificate of title, a second temporary registration certificate may be issued. A licensed motor vehicle or motorized bicycle dealer shall make a record in the form and manner prescribed by the chief administrator for [each such] any second temporary registration certificate issued and shall pay an enhanced fee to be determined by the chief administrator for each [such] second temporary registration issued. Each licensed motor vehicle or motorized bicycle dealer shall annually determine the fees to be paid pursuant to this section and shall remit annually under certification the amount due to the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission.

No temporary registration certificate shall be issued by a licensed dealer hereunder unless [such] the licensed dealer has confirmed that the vehicle for which the temporary registration is to be issued is [insured] covered by a policy of insurance in accordance with the requirements of the "Motor Vehicle Security-Responsibility Law," P.L.1952, c.173 (C.39:6-23 et seq.), whether by a policy in the name of the purchaser covering the vehicle or which would provide coverage for the purchaser while operating the vehicle or by an endorsement to a policy in the name of the licensed dealer; provided, however, no permanent registration shall be issued unless a policy in the name of the purchaser or someone in the purchaser's household is confirmed.

A temporary registration certificate issued hereunder may be issued by any employee authorized by a licensed dealer to do so; however, the licensee shall be liable for the acts of any [such] authorized [person] employee in issuing temporary registrations, whether the particular unlawful acts were authorized or unauthorized.

(cf: P.L.2007, c.335, s.19)

3. This act shall take effect <sup>2</sup>[immediately] on the first day of the seventh month following enactment and shall only apply to temporary registration certificates issued on or after the effective date<sup>2</sup>.

Concerns temporary registration certificates for automobiles.

## ASSEMBLY, No. 1918

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

### 217th LEGISLATURE

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2016 SESSION

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman JOHN S. WISNIEWSKI
District 19 (Middlesex)
Assemblyman JAY WEBBER
District 26 (Essex, Morris and Passaic)
Assemblyman SCOTT T. RUMANA
District 40 (Bergen, Essex, Morris and Passaic)
Assemblywoman BETTYLOU DECROCE
District 26 (Essex, Morris and Passaic)

#### **SYNOPSIS**

Concerns temporary registration certificates for automobiles.

#### **CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 3/7/2017)

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[Such] A temporary registration shall be made in the following manner: An application in writing, signed by the applicant or by an agent or officer in case the applicant is a corporation, shall be made to the [director] chief administrator or [his] the chief administrator's lawful agent, on forms prepared and supplied by the [director] chief administrator, containing the name, address, and age of the owner, together with a description of the character of the automobile, including the name of the maker and the manufacturer's number or the motor number, or both, and any other statement that may be required by the **[**director. If the vehicle is insured by motor vehicle liability insurance as provided for in section 3 of chapter 173 of the laws of 1952, the applicant must file an accompanying certificate, issued by the insurance carrier. An application shall contain the name of the insurer of said vehicle and the policy number. chief administrator. A temporary registration certificate shall not be issued unless the licensed dealer has confirmed that the vehicle for which the temporary registration is to be issued is insured in accordance with the requirements of the "Motor Vehicle Security-Responsibility Law," P.L.1952, c.173 (C.39:6-23 et seq.), or the corresponding financial responsibility laws of the state in which the vehicle is to be titled and registered.

In the event that **[**such**]** the insurance is terminated, the insurer shall notify the **[**director**]** chief administrator within 30 days, following **[**such**]** the termination.

Thereupon the **[**director**]** chief administrator or licensed dealer shall have the power to grant a temporary registration certificate and temporary plates to the owner of any automobile, if over 17 years of age, either directly or through any licensed motor vehicle dealer who is not within the geographical district, application for the temporary registration having been properly made and the

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required fee [therefor] paid, and the vehicle being of a type that complies with the requirements of this subtitle. The form and contents of the temporary registration certificate to be issued shall be prescribed by the [director] chief administrator. The [director] chief administrator shall maintain a record of all temporary registration certificates issued, and of the contents thereof.

Every temporary registration shall expire and the certificate thereof shall become void on the [twentieth] 30th day following the date on which the certificate was issued; no temporary registration shall be renewed, except as a permanent registration pursuant to [section 39:3-4 of the Revised Statutes] R.S.39:3-4, and after payment of the fees prescribed therein , or as a second temporary registration certificate issued pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1969, c.301 (C.39:3-4c).

The **[**director**]** chief administrator shall issue temporary registration certificates for the **[**20**]** 30 day registration period, which shall be effective immediately.

Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be subject to a fine not exceeding [\$100.00] \$100, except that for the misstatement of any fact in the application required to be made by the [director] chief administrator, the person making [such statement] the misstatement shall be subject to the penalties provided in [section 39:3-37 of this Title] R.S.39:3-37.

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Isuch] second temporary registration issued. Each licensed motor vehicle or motorized bicycle dealer shall annually determine the fees to be paid pursuant to this section and shall remit annually under certification the amount due to the Motor Vehicle Commission.

No temporary registration certificate shall be issued by a licensed dealer hereunder unless [such] the licensed dealer has confirmed that the vehicle for which the temporary registration is to be issued is [insured] covered by a policy of insurance in accordance with the requirements of the "Motor Vehicle Security-Responsibility Law," P.L.1952, c.173 (C.39:6-23 et seq.), whether by a policy in the name of the purchaser covering the vehicle or which would provide coverage for the purchaser while operating the vehicle or by an endorsement to a policy in the name of the licensed dealer; provided, however, no permanent registration shall be issued unless a policy in the name of the purchaser or someone in the purchaser's household is confirmed.

A temporary registration certificate issued hereunder may be issued by any employee authorized by a licensed dealer to do so; however, the licensee shall be liable for the acts of any [such] authorized [person] employee in issuing temporary registrations, whether the particular unlawful acts were authorized or unauthorized.

(cf: P.L.2007, c.335, s.19)

3. This act shall take effect immediately.

#### **STATEMENT**

 This bill increases the number of days for a which a temporary registration certificate issued to an out-of-State purchaser of an automobile is valid from 20 days to 30 days if the vehicle is to be principally garaged, registered, and titled in another state, a federal district, or another county. Under current law, a temporary registration certificate issued to a New Jersey resident is valid for a period of 30 days. The bill also allows a nonresident purchaser of an automobile to receive a second temporary registration for an additional period of 30 days if the permanent registration is delayed by reason of a lost title certificate or failure of a lien holder to turn over a certificate of title. Purchasers who reside in New Jersey may be issued a 30-day second temporary registration under current law.

The bill also provides that a temporary registration certificate is not to be issued for a vehicle sold to a nonresident unless the licensed dealer has confirmed that the vehicle is insured pursuant to State law or to the laws of the state in which the vehicle is to be titled and registered.

# ASSEMBLY TRANSPORTATION AND INDEPENDENT AUTHORITIES COMMITTEE

#### STATEMENT TO

#### ASSEMBLY, No. 1918

with committee amendments

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 6, 2017

The Assembly Transportation and Independent Authorities Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 1918.

As amended and reported, this bill increases the number of days for which a temporary registration certificate issued to an out-of-State purchaser of an automobile is valid from 20 days to 30 days if the vehicle is to be principally garaged, registered, and titled in another state, a federal district, or another country. The bill also allows a nonresident purchaser of an automobile to receive a second temporary registration certificate for an additional period of 30 days if the permanent registration is delayed by reason of a lost title certificate or failure of a lien holder to turn over a certificate of title. Under current law, purchasers who reside in New Jersey are issued a temporary registration certificate that is valid for 30 days and may be issued a second 30-day temporary registration certificate.

The bill also provides that a temporary registration certificate is not to be issued for a vehicle sold to a nonresident unless the licensed dealer has confirmed that the vehicle is insured pursuant to State law or to the laws of the state, federal district, or country in which the vehicle is to be titled and registered.

This bill was pre-filed for introduction in the 2016-2017 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review, which has been performed.

#### **COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

The committee amended the bill to clarify that a temporary registration certificate is not to be issued unless the licensed dealer has confirmed that the vehicle for which the temporary registration is to be issued is insured pursuant to State law or to the laws of the state, federal district, or country in which the vehicle is to be titled and registered.

#### SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

#### STATEMENT TO

# [First Reprint] ASSEMBLY, No. 1918

### STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 4, 2017

The Senate Transportation Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 1918(1R).

As reported, this bill increases the number of days for which a temporary registration certificate issued to an out-of-State purchaser of an automobile is valid from 20 days to 30 days if the vehicle is to be principally garaged, registered, and titled in another state, a federal district, or another country. The bill also allows a nonresident purchaser of an automobile to receive a second temporary registration certificate for an additional period of 30 days if the permanent registration is delayed by reason of a lost title certificate or failure of a lien holder to turn over a certificate of title. Under current law, purchasers who reside in New Jersey are issued a temporary registration certificate that is valid for 30 days and may be issued a second 30-day temporary registration certificate.

The bill also provides that a temporary registration certificate is not to be issued for a vehicle sold to a nonresident unless the licensed dealer has confirmed that the vehicle is insured pursuant to State law or to the laws of the state, federal district, or country in which the vehicle is to be titled and registered.

As reported, Assembly Bill No. 1918 (1R) is identical to Senate Bill No. 3596, which was reported by the committee on this date.

#### STATEMENT TO

# [First Reprint] ASSEMBLY, No. 1918

with Senate Floor Amendments (Proposed by Senator PENNACCHIO)

ADOPTED: DECEMBER 18, 2017

These Senate Floor Amendments clarify that the extension for temporary registration certificates is to only apply to automobiles purchased from licensed dealers in New Jersey which are to be principally garaged, registered, and titled in another state, a federal district, or Canada, and not to any automobiles to be principally garaged, registered, and titled in any other country. The amendments also provide that the fee for a second temporary registration certificate is to be remitted to the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission by a licensed automobile dealer at the time of issuance of the second temporary registration certificate. The amendments also delay the implementation of the bill from taking effect immediately to taking effect on the first day of the seventh month after enactment and provide that the bill only applies to temporary registration certificates issued on or after the effective date.

# SENATE, No. 3596

# **STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

## 217th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED DECEMBER 4, 2017

**Sponsored by:** 

Senator JOSEPH PENNACCHIO District 26 (Essex, Morris and Passaic) Senator JAMES W. HOLZAPFEL District 10 (Ocean)

#### **SYNOPSIS**

Concerns temporary registration certificates for automobiles.

#### **CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



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[Such] A temporary registration shall be made in the following manner: An application in writing, signed by the applicant or by an agent or officer in case the applicant is a corporation, shall be made to the [director] chief administrator or [his] the chief administrator's lawful agent, on forms prepared and supplied by the [director] chief administrator, containing the name, address, and age of the owner, together with a description of the character of the automobile, including the name of the maker and the manufacturer's number or the motor number, or both, and any other statement that may be required by the **[**director. If the vehicle is insured by motor vehicle liability insurance as provided for in section 3 of chapter 173 of the laws of 1952, the applicant must file an accompanying certificate, issued by the insurance carrier. An application shall contain the name of the insurer of said vehicle and the policy number. chief administrator. A temporary registration certificate shall not be issued unless the licensed dealer has confirmed that the vehicle for which the temporary registration is to be issued is insured in accordance with the requirements of the "Motor Vehicle Security-Responsibility Law," P.L.1952, c.173 (C.39:6-23 et seq.), or the corresponding financial responsibility laws of the state, federal district, or country in which the vehicle is to be titled and registered.

In the event that **[**such**]** the insurance is terminated, the insurer shall notify the **[**director**]** chief administrator within 30 days, following **[**such**]** the termination.

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Every temporary registration shall expire and the certificate thereof <u>shall</u> become void on the [twentieth] <u>30th</u> day following the date on which the certificate was issued; no temporary registration shall be renewed, except as a permanent registration pursuant to [section 39:3-4 of the Revised Statutes] <u>R.S.39:3-4</u>, and after payment of the fees prescribed therein , or as a second temporary registration certificate issued pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1969, <u>c.301 (C.39:3-4c)</u>.

The **[**director**]** chief administrator shall issue temporary registration certificates for the **[**20**]** 30 day registration period, which shall be effective immediately.

Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be subject to a fine not exceeding [\$100.00] \$100, except that for the misstatement of any fact in the application required to be made by the [director] chief administrator, the person making [such statement] the misstatement shall be subject to the penalties provided in [section 39:3-37 of this Title] R.S.39:3-37.

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enhanced fee to be determined by the chief administrator for each [such] second temporary registration issued. Each licensed motor vehicle or motorized bicycle dealer shall annually determine the fees to be paid pursuant to this section and shall remit annually under certification the amount due to the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission.

No temporary registration certificate shall be issued by a licensed dealer hereunder unless [such] the licensed dealer has confirmed that the vehicle for which the temporary registration is to be issued is [insured] covered by a policy of insurance in accordance with the requirements of the "Motor Vehicle Security-Responsibility Law," P.L.1952, c.173 (C.39:6-23 et seq.), whether by a policy in the name of the purchaser covering the vehicle or which would provide coverage for the purchaser while operating the vehicle or by an endorsement to a policy in the name of the licensed dealer; provided, however, no permanent registration shall be issued unless a policy in the name of the purchaser or someone in the purchaser's household is confirmed.

A temporary registration certificate issued hereunder may be issued by any employee authorized by a licensed dealer to do so; however, the licensee shall be liable for the acts of any [such] authorized [person] employee in issuing temporary registrations, whether the particular unlawful acts were authorized or unauthorized.

(cf: P.L.2007, c.335, s.19)

3. This act shall take effect immediately.

#### **STATEMENT**

This bill increases the number of days for which a temporary registration certificate issued to an out-of-State purchaser of an automobile is valid from 20 days to 30 days if the vehicle is to be principally garaged, registered, and titled in another state, a federal district, or another country. The bill also allows a nonresident purchaser of an automobile to receive a second temporary registration certificate for an additional period of 30 days if the permanent registration is delayed by reason of a lost title certificate or failure of a lien holder to turn over a certificate of title. Under current law, purchasers who reside in New Jersey are issued a temporary registration certificate that is valid for 30 days and may be issued a second 30-day temporary registration certificate.

The bill also provides that a temporary registration certificate is not to be issued for a vehicle sold to a nonresident unless the licensed dealer has confirmed that the vehicle is insured pursuant to State law

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- or to the laws of the state, federal district, or country in which the
- vehicle is to be titled and registered.

#### SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

#### STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 3596** 

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 4, 2017

The Senate Transportation Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 3596.

As reported, this bill increases the number of days for which a temporary registration certificate issued to an out-of-State purchaser of an automobile is valid from 20 days to 30 days if the vehicle is to be principally garaged, registered, and titled in another state, a federal district, or another country. The bill also allows a nonresident purchaser of an automobile to receive a second temporary registration certificate for an additional period of 30 days if the permanent registration is delayed by reason of a lost title certificate or failure of a lien holder to turn over a certificate of title. Under current law, purchasers who reside in New Jersey are issued a temporary registration certificate that is valid for 30 days and may be issued a second 30-day temporary registration certificate.

The bill also provides that a temporary registration certificate is not to be issued for a vehicle sold to a nonresident unless the licensed dealer has confirmed that the vehicle is insured pursuant to State law or to the laws of the state, federal district, or country in which the vehicle is to be titled and registered.

As reported, Senate Bill No. 3596 is identical to Assembly Bill No. 1918 (1R), which was reported by the committee on this date.

#### STATEMENT TO

### SENATE, No. 3596

with Senate Floor Amendments (Proposed by Senator PENNACCHIO)

ADOPTED: DECEMBER 18, 2017

These Senate Floor Amendments clarify that the extension for temporary registration certificates is to only apply to automobiles purchased from licensed dealers in New Jersey which are to be principally garaged, registered, and titled in another state, a federal district, or Canada, and not to any automobiles to be principally garaged, registered, and titled in any other country. The amendments also provide that the fee for a second temporary registration certificate is to be remitted to the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission by a licensed automobile dealer at the time of issuance of the second temporary registration certificate. The amendments also delay the implementation of the bill from taking effect immediately to taking effect on the first day of the seventh month after enactment and provide that the bill only applies to temporary registration certificates issued on or after the effective date.