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Referred to Committee on Transportation and Public Utilities

AN ACT concerning motor vehicles and amending R. S. 39:3-18.

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

1 1. R. S. 39:3-18 is amended to read as follows:

2 39:3-18. A manufacturer of motor vehicles, motor-drawn vehi-
3 cles, motor vehicle bodies or motor cycles doing business in this
4 State may, with regard to motor or motor-drawn vehicles or cycles
5 owned or controlled by him, obtain general registration and regis-
6 tration plates therefor of the style and kind provided for in this
7 subtitle, with the letter "D" stated thereon. Such plates can be
8 placed on any vehicle or cycle owned or controlled by such manu-
9 facturer, but only if it is operated only for shop, demonstration or
10 delivery purposes.

11 A bona fide converter of commercial motor vehicles, motor-drawn
12 vehicle or motor vehicle chassis doing business in this State may,
13 with regard to motor or motor-drawn vehicles owned or controlled
14 by him, obtain general registration and registration plates therefor
15 of the style and kind provided for in this subtitle, with the letter
16 "D" stated thereon. Such plates can be placed on any vehicles
17 owned or controlled by such converter, but only if such vehicles are
18 operated for shop, demonstration or delivery purposes.

19 A bona fide dealer in motor vehicles, motor-drawn vehicles or
20 motor cycles doing business in this State and having a license to
21 do business as such issued by the director may, with regard to
22 motor or motor-drawn vehicles or cycles owned by him, obtain
23 general registration and registration plates therefor of the style
24 and kind provided for in this subtitle, with the letter "D" stated
25 thereon. Such plates shall only be placed on any vehicle or cycle
26 owned by such dealer; and provided, such vehicle is not used for

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

27 hire. Any person who shall be convicted of a violation of this
28 paragraph shall be subject to a fine not exceeding \$100.00.

29 Any person engaged in the business of financing the purchase
30 of motor or motor-drawn vehicles or lending money thereon may,
31 with regard to motor or motor-drawn vehicles owned or controlled
32 by him obtain general registration and registration plates therefor
33 of the style and kind provided for in this subtitle, with the word
34 "temporary" stated thereon. Such plates can be placed on any
35 such vehicle only when it is being transported from the place where
36 it has been kept by the purchaser or borrower to the place where
37 it is to be kept by the repossessor, or when the repossessor desires
38 to operate it for the purpose of demonstration for sale.

39 Any corporation engaged in the business of insuring motor
40 vehicles or motor-drawn vehicles against theft may, with regard
41 to vehicles owned or controlled by it, obtain general registration
42 and registration plates therefor of the style and kind provided for
43 in this subtitle, with the word "temporary" stated thereon. Such
44 plates can be placed on any such vehicle, if ownership or control
45 thereof has been obtained by virtue of the terms of an insurance
46 against theft contract made by such corporation, and only when the
47 vehicle is to be transported for delivery to the owner thereof from
48 the place where it has been abandoned by or seized from a thief.

49 Any person, partnership or corporation engaged in the business
50 of transporting motor or motor-drawn vehicles from the place of
51 manufacture for delivery to dealers, may, with regard to such
52 vehicles, obtain general registration and registration plates there-
53 for of the kind and style provided for in this subtitle, with the word
54 "temporary" stated thereon, but only if the director is satisfied
55 as to the financial responsibility of such person, partnership or
56 corporation to meet any claim for damages arising out of any
57 automobile accident and satisfactory evidence of such responsibility
58 has been filed with him.

59 Any person engaged in the business of renting or leasing motor
60 vehicles or motor-drawn vehicles may with regard to said motor
61 vehicles or motor-drawn vehicles owned by him, obtain general
62 registration and registration plates therefor, provided for in this
63 subtitle, with the word "temporary" stated thereon. Said registra-
64 tion plates may be placed on any motor vehicle or motor-drawn
65 vehicle owned by such person while said vehicle is not individually
66 registered and not in use as a rented or leased vehicle.

67 A bona fide dealer in "nonconventional" type motor vehicles,
68 as defined in R. S. 39:10-2, who has an established place of business

69 in this State, may, with regard to "nonconventional" type motor
70 vehicles owned by him, obtain general registration and registration
71 plates therefor of the style and kind provided for in this subtitle,
72 with the letter "D" stated thereon. Such plates can be placed on
73 any "nonconventional" type motor vehicle by such dealer, but only
74 if such "nonconventional" type motor vehicle is operated only for
75 shop, demonstration or delivery purposes.

76 Any person, partnership or corporation engaged in the business
77 of conducting a wholesale automobile auction block in this State
78 for duly licensed dealers only, at least once each week, may, with
79 regard to vehicles controlled by it, obtain general registration and
80 registration plates therefor of the style and kind provided for in
81 this subtitle with the word "temporary" stated thereon. Such
82 plates can be placed on any vehicle controlled by the auction block
83 which is to be transported from the place where stored by the
84 owner to the auction block. Such plates may not be displayed on
85 a vehicle sold at the auction block for delivery to the purchaser.
86 Application for such plates shall be approved only if the director
87 is satisfied as to the financial responsibility of such person, partner-
88 ship or corporation to meet any claim for damages arising out of
89 any automobile accident and satisfactory proof of such respon-
90 sibility has been filed with him.

91 *Registration plates issued pursuant to this section shall be a*
92 *single plate and shall be issued in sets of five and shall bear the*
93 *letter "D" or the word "temporary" and shall bear a number*
94 *corresponding to the number on the certificate of registration. The*
95 *single registration plate shall be displayed in accordance with the*
96 *provisions of R. S. 39:3-33.*

97 The annual fee for the issuance of a certificate of registration,
98 four duplicates thereof and [five sets of] *one set of five single*
99 "D" or "temporary" plates bearing a number corresponding to
100 the number on the certificate of registration shall be \$100.00; but
101 the annual fee for the issuance of a certificate of registration for
102 motorcycles, two duplicates thereof and [three sets of] *one set of*
103 *three single "D" plates* bearing a number on the certificate of
104 registration shall be \$20.00.

1 2. This act shall take effect immediately.