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BILL NO: A3365 (Substituted for S2534)

SPONSOR(S): Diegnan and others

DATE INTRODUCED: October 18, 2004

COMMITTEE: **ASSEMBLY:** Transportation
SENATE: Transportation

AMENDED DURING PASSAGE: Yes

DATE OF PASSAGE: **ASSEMBLY:** January 24, 2005

SENATE: June 30, 2005

DATE OF APPROVAL: August 29, 2005

FOLLOWING ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:

[FINAL TEXT OF BILL](#) (1st reprint enacted)

A3365

[SPONSOR'S STATEMENT:](#) (Begins on page 5 of original bill) [Yes](#)

COMMITTEE STATEMENT: [ASSEMBLY:](#) [Yes](#)

[SENATE:](#) [Yes](#)

FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT: No

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE: No

S2534

[SPONSOR'S STATEMENT:](#) (Begins on page 5 of original bill) [Yes](#)

COMMITTEE STATEMENT **ASSEMBLY** No

[SENATE](#) [Yes](#)

FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT: No

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P.L. 2005, CHAPTER 214, *approved August 29, 2005*
Assembly, No. 3365 (*First Reprint*)

1 AN ACT concerning commercial motor vehicles and amending
2 R.S.39:3-20.

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16 motor vehicle is the drawing vehicle. The gross weight of a disabled
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Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹ Assembly ATR committee amendments adopted November 22, 2004.

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2 For vehicles not in excess of 5,000 pounds, \$53.50.

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12 For vehicles in excess of 50,000 pounds, \$53.50 plus \$15.50 for
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28 pounds, upon application therefor and proof to the satisfaction of the
29 [director] chief administrator that the applicant is actually engaged in
30 construction work or in the business of supplying material,
31 transporting material, or using such registered vehicle for construction
32 work.

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35 thereof shall become void on the last day of the [eleventh] twelfth
36 calendar month following the month in which the certificate was
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3 necessary, appropriate or convenient in order to aid in implementing
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5 other good cause.

6 The registration fee shall be \$22.50 for each 1,000 pounds or
7 portion thereof.

8 For purposes of calculating this fee, weight means the gross weight,
9 including the gross weight of all vehicles in any combination of which
10 such commercial motor vehicle is the drawing vehicle.

11 Such commercial motor vehicle shall be operated in compliance
12 with the speed limitations of Title 39 of the Revised Statutes and shall
13 not be operated at a speed greater than 45 miles per hour when one or
14 more of its axles has a load which exceeds the limitations prescribed
15 in R.S.39:3-84.

16 c. The [director] chief administrator is also authorized to issue
17 registrations for each of the following solid waste vehicles: two-axle
18 vehicles having a gross weight not exceeding 42,000 pounds; tandem
19 three-axle and four-axle vehicles having a gross weight not exceeding
20 60,000 pounds; four-axle tractor-trailer combination vehicles having
21 a gross weight not exceeding 60,000 pounds. Registration is based
22 upon application to the [director] chief administrator and proof to his
23 satisfaction that the applicant is actually engaged in the performance
24 of solid waste disposal or collection functions and holds a certificate
25 of convenience and necessity therefor issued by the Department of
26 Environmental Protection.

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34 registrations for commercial motor-drawn vehicles upon application
35 therefor. The registration year for commercial motor-drawn vehicles
36 shall be April 1 to the following March 31 and the fee therefor shall be
37 \$18 for each such vehicle.

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40 provided the option of registering such vehicle for a period of four
41 years. In the event that the applicant for registration exercises the
42 four-year option, a fee of \$64 for each such vehicle shall be paid to the
43 [director] chief administrator in advance.

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45 period is sold or withdrawn from use on the highways, the [director]

1 chief administrator may, upon surrender of the vehicle registration and
2 plate, refund \$16 for each full year of unused prepaid registration.

3 e. It shall be unlawful for any vehicle or combination of vehicles
4 registered under this act, having a gross weight, including load or
5 contents, in excess of the gross weight provided on the registration
6 certificate to be operated on the highways of this State.

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8 combination of vehicles, including load or contents, found or operated
9 on any public road, street or highway or on any public or quasi-public
10 property in this State with a gross weight of that vehicle or
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19 registration is deemed to have been registered for zero pounds for the
20 purposes of the enforcement of this act, in addition to any other
21 violation of this Title, but is not deemed to be lawfully or validly
22 registered pursuant to the provisions of this Title.

23 This section shall not be construed to supersede or repeal the
24 provisions of section 39:3-84, 39:4-75, or 39:4-76 of this Title.

25 f. Of the registration fees collected by the ~~[director]~~ chief
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32 by the Department of Law and Public Safety and the Department of
33 Transportation for enforcement of laws and regulations governing
34 commercial motor vehicles.

35 (cf: P.L.2002, c.34, s.13.)

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37 2. This act shall take effect ¹~~[immediately]~~ on the first day of the
38 sixth month following enactment¹.

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43 Extends validity of commercial motor vehicle registrations to 12
44 months.

ASSEMBLY, No. 3365

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 211th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED OCTOBER 18, 2004

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman PATRICK DIEGNAN, JR.

District 18 (Middlesex)

Assemblyman PETER J. BARNES, JR.

District 18 (Middlesex)

Assemblyman JOHN S. WISNIEWSKI

District 19 (Middlesex)

Co-Sponsored by:

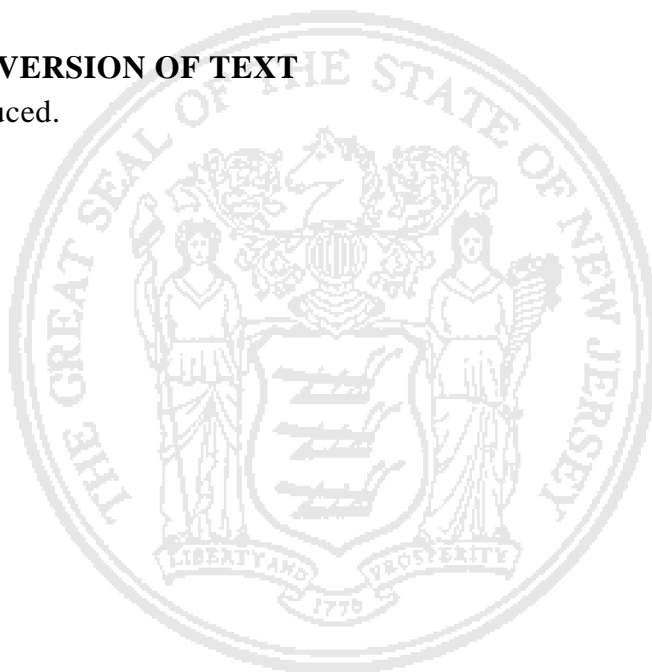
Assemblyman Egan

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(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 11/23/2004)

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38 STATEMENT

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- 3 New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission.

ASSEMBLY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 3365

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: NOVEMBER 22, 2004

The Assembly Transportation Committee reports favorably and with amendments Assembly Bill No. 3365.

As amended, this bill extends the validity of commercial motor vehicle registrations from 11 to 12 months. Pursuant to R.S.39:1-1, the term "commercial motor vehicle" includes every type of motor-driven vehicle used for commercial purposes on the highways, excepting such vehicles as are run only upon rails or tracks and vehicles of the passenger car type used for touring purposes or the carrying of farm products and milk. The bill does not change the registration period for omnibuses and motor-drawn vehicles.

The bill also updates references to the Chief Administrator of the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

The committee amended the bill to change the effective provision from effective immediately to effective the first day of the sixth month following enactment.

SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

[First Reprint]

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
211th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED MAY 12, 2005

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District 32 (Bergen and Hudson)

Senator PAUL SARLO

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33 thereof shall become void on the last day of the [eleventh] twelfth
34 calendar month following the month in which the certificate was
35 issued; provided, however, that the [director] chief administrator may
36 require registrations which shall expire, and issue certificates thereof
37 which shall become void on a date fixed by the [director] chief
38 administrator, which shall not be sooner than three months or later
39 than 26 months after the date of issuance of such certificates, and the
40 fees for such registrations or registration applications, including any
41 other fees or charges collected in connection with the registration fee,
42 shall be fixed by the [director] chief administrator in amounts
43 proportionately less or greater than the fees established by law. The
44 [director] chief administrator may fix the expiration date for
45 registration certificates at a date other than [11] 12 months if the

1 [director] chief administrator determines that such change is
2 necessary, appropriate or convenient in order to aid in implementing
3 the vehicle inspection requirements of chapter 8 of Title 39 or for
4 other good cause.

5 The registration fee shall be \$22.50 for each 1,000 pounds or
6 portion thereof.

7 For purposes of calculating this fee, weight means the gross weight,
8 including the gross weight of all vehicles in any combination of which
9 such commercial motor vehicle is the drawing vehicle.

10 Such commercial motor vehicle shall be operated in compliance
11 with the speed limitations of Title 39 of the Revised Statutes and shall
12 not be operated at a speed greater than 45 miles per hour when one or
13 more of its axles has a load which exceeds the limitations prescribed
14 in R.S.39:3-84.

15 c. The [director] chief administrator is also authorized to issue
16 registrations for each of the following solid waste vehicles: two-axle
17 vehicles having a gross weight not exceeding 42,000 pounds; tandem
18 three-axle and four-axle vehicles having a gross weight not exceeding
19 60,000 pounds; four-axle tractor-trailer combination vehicles having
20 a gross weight not exceeding 60,000 pounds. Registration is based
21 upon application to the [director] chief administrator and proof to his
22 satisfaction that the applicant is actually engaged in the performance
23 of solid waste disposal or collection functions and holds a certificate
24 of convenience and necessity therefor issued by the Department of
25 Environmental Protection.

26 Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, every registration
27 for a solid waste vehicle shall expire and the certificate thereof shall
28 become void on the last day of the [eleventh] twelfth calendar month
29 following the month in which the certificate was issued.

30 The registration fee shall be \$50 plus \$11.50 for each 1,000 pounds
31 or portion thereof in excess of 5,000 pounds.

32 d. The [director] chief administrator is also authorized to issue
33 registrations for commercial motor-drawn vehicles upon application
34 therefor. The registration year for commercial motor-drawn vehicles
35 shall be April 1 to the following March 31 and the fee therefor shall be
36 \$18 for each such vehicle.

37 At the discretion of the [director] chief administrator, an applicant
38 for registration for a commercial motor-drawn vehicle may be
39 provided the option of registering such vehicle for a period of four
40 years. In the event that the applicant for registration exercises the
41 four-year option, a fee of \$64 for each such vehicle shall be paid to the
42 [director] chief administrator in advance.

43 If any commercial motor-drawn vehicle registered for a four-year
44 period is sold or withdrawn from use on the highways, the [director]
45 chief administrator may, upon surrender of the vehicle registration and
46 plate, refund \$16 for each full year of unused prepaid registration.

1 e. It shall be unlawful for any vehicle or combination of vehicles
2 registered under this act, having a gross weight, including load or
3 contents, in excess of the gross weight provided on the registration
4 certificate to be operated on the highways of this State.

5 The owner, lessee, bailee or any one of the aforesaid of a vehicle or
6 combination of vehicles, including load or contents, found or operated
7 on any public road, street or highway or on any public or quasi-public
8 property in this State with a gross weight of that vehicle or
9 combination of vehicles, including load or contents, in excess of the
10 weight limitation permitted by the certificate of registration for the
11 vehicle or combination of vehicles, pursuant to the provisions of this
12 section, shall be assessed a penalty of \$500 plus an amount equal to
13 \$100 for each 1,000 pounds or fractional portion of 1,000 pounds of
14 weight in excess of the weight limitation permitted by the certificate
15 of registration for that vehicle or combination of vehicles. A vehicle
16 or combination of vehicles for which there is no valid certificate of
17 registration is deemed to have been registered for zero pounds for the
18 purposes of the enforcement of this act, in addition to any other
19 violation of this Title, but is not deemed to be lawfully or validly
20 registered pursuant to the provisions of this Title.

21 This section shall not be construed to supersede or repeal the
22 provisions of section 39:3-84, 39:4-75, or 39:4-76 of this Title.

23 f. Of the registration fees collected by the [director] chief
24 administrator pursuant to this section for vehicles with gross vehicle
25 weights in excess of 5,000 pounds, an amount equal to \$3 per 1,000
26 pounds or portion thereof in excess of 5,000 pounds for each
27 registration shall be forwarded to the State Treasurer for deposit in the
28 Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Fund established pursuant to section
29 17 of P.L.1995, c.157 (C.39:8-75). Moneys in the fund shall be used
30 by the Department of Law and Public Safety and the Department of
31 Transportation for enforcement of laws and regulations governing
32 commercial motor vehicles.

33 (cf: P.L.2002, c.34, s.13.)

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35 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the sixth month
36 following enactment.

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39 STATEMENT

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42 registrations from 11 to 12 months. Pursuant to R.S.39:1-1, the term
43 "commercial motor vehicle" includes every type of motor-driven
44 vehicle used for commercial purposes on the highways, excepting such
45 vehicles as are run only upon rails or tracks and vehicles of the
46 passenger type used for touring purposes or the carrying of farm

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- 1 products and milk. The bill does not change the registration period for
- 2 omnibuses and motor-drawn vehicles.
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- 4 New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission.

SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 2534

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MAY 19, 2005

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