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procurement organizations)

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SPONSOR(S) Madden and Others

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**SENATE:** Transportation; Budget and Appropriations

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S1760

**SPONSOR'S STATEMENT**: (Begins on page 6 of original bill)

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**COMMITTEE STATEMENT:** ASSEMBLY: No

**SENATE**: Yes <u>1-29-07 (Budget)</u>

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FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT: No

<u>LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE</u>: <u>Yes</u>

A3137

**SPONSOR'S STATEMENT**: (Begins on page 8 of original bill) Yes

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SENATE: No

FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENT: Yes

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#### P.L. 2007, CHAPTER 80, approved May 4, 2007 Senate, No. 1760 (First Reprint)

AN ACT concerning organ donation and amending P.L.1978, c.181 [and], P.L.1997, c.188 and P.L.1969, c.161.

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

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- 7 1. Section 1 of P.L. 1978, c.181 (C.39:3-12.2) is amended to 8 read as follows:
- 9 1. a. The [Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles] Chief 10 Administrator of the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission shall 11 provide with every new license, renewal license, identification card 12 or renewal identification card the opportunity for each person 13 pursuant to the provisions of the "Uniform Anatomical Gift Act," 14 P.L.1969, c.161 (C.26:6-65 et seq.), to designate that the person shall donate all or any body organs or parts for the purposes of 15 16 transplantation, therapy, medical research or education upon his 17
  - b. The designation indicating that a person is a donor pursuant to subsection a. of this section shall be done in accordance with procedures prescribed by the [director] chief administrator. The designation shall be displayed in print in a conspicuous form and manner on the license or identification card, and electronically, by substantially the following statement: "ORGAN DONOR" and shall constitute sufficient legal authority for the removal of a body organ or part upon the death of the licensee or identification cardholder. The designation shall be removed in accordance with procedures prescribed by the [director] chief administrator.
    - c. (Deleted by amendment, P.L.1999, c.28).
- d. <sup>1</sup>[For the purposes of this section, license shall not include any temporary license or learner's permit] (Deleted by amendment, P.L., c. (C. )(pending before the Legislature as this bill)<sup>1</sup>.
  - e. <sup>1</sup> The chief administrator shall provide real-time access to the organ donor designation information the commission collects pursuant to subsection a. of this section to the organ procurement organizations designated pursuant to 42 U.S.C. s.273(b) to serve in the State of New Jersey, the New Jersey. The chief administrator, in consultation with those organ procurement organizations designated pursuant to 42 U.S.C. s.1320b-8 to serve in the State of New Jersey, shall establish and provide an annual education program for agency employees and personnel. The program shall
- 42 <u>focus on the benefits associated with organ and tissue donations, the</u>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Senate STR committee amendments adopted November 27, 2006.

scope and operation of New Jersey's donor program, and how the agency's employees and personnel can effectively inform the public about the donor program and can best assist those wishing to participate in the donor program.

- f. The chief administrator shall electronically record and store all organ donor designations and identification information, and shall provide the organ procurement organizations designated pursuant to 42 U.S.C. s.1320b-8 to serve in the State of New Jersey with real-time electronic access to the organ donor designation information collected pursuant to subsection a. of this section. An organ procurement organization designated pursuant to 42 U.S.C. s.1320b-8 to serve in the State of New Jersey, or any donor registry established by any such organization, shall have real time electronic access to those organ donor designations and identification at all times, without exception, for the purposes of verifying organ and tissue donation status and identity. For these purposes, the federally designated organ procurement organization shall have electronic access to each recorded donor's name, address, date of birth, gender, color of eyes, height, and driver's license number. Upon request, the chief administrator shall provide a copy of the donor's original driver license application.
- g. Those organ procurement organizations designated pursuant to 42 U.S.C. s.1320b-8 to serve in the State of New Jersey may contract with a third party, in consultation with the chief administrator, to assess, develop, and implement any system set-up necessary to support the initial and ongoing electronic access by those organizations to the donor designation and identification information required to be made available in accordance with the provisions of this section; however, the organ procurement organizations shall not be required to incur an aggregate cost in excess of \$50,000 for the purposes of this subsection.

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- 34 2. Section 2 of P.L.1997, c.188 (C.39:2-3.4) is amended to read 35 as follows:
- 36 2. a. Notwithstanding the provisions of P.L.1963, c.73 37 (C.47:1A-1 et seq.) or any other law to the contrary, except as provided in this act, the [Division of Motor Vehicles] Motor 38 39 Vehicle Commission and any officer, employee or contractor 40 thereof shall not knowingly disclose or otherwise make available to 41 any person personal information about any individual obtained by 42 the [division] commission in connection with a motor vehicle 43 record.
- b. A person requesting a motor vehicle record including personal information shall produce proper identification and shall complete and submit a written request form provided by the [director] chief administrator for the [division's] commission's approval. The written request form shall bear notice that the

1 making of false statements therein is punishable and shall include, 2 but not be limited to, the requestor's name and address; the 3 requestor's driver's license number or corporate identification 4 number; the requestor's reason for requesting the record; the driver's 5 license number or the name, address and birth date of the person whose driver record is requested; the license plate number or VIN 6 7 number of the vehicle for which a record is requested; any 8 additional information determined by the [director] chief 9 administrator to be appropriate and the requestor's certification as to 10 the truth of the foregoing statements. Prior to the approval of the 11 written request form, the [division] commission may also require 12 the requestor to submit documentary evidence supporting the reason 13 for the request.

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In lieu of completing a written request form for each record requested, the [division] commission may permit a person to complete and submit for approval of the [director] chief administrator or the [director's] chief administrator's designee, on a case by case basis, a written application form for participation in a public information program on an ongoing basis. The written application form shall bear notice that the making of false statements therein is punishable and shall include, but not be limited to, the applicant's name, address and telephone number; the nature of the applicant's business activity; a description of each of the applicant's intended uses of the information contained in the motor vehicle records to be requested; the number of employees with access to the information; the name, title and signature of the authorized company representative; and any additional information determined by the [director] chief administrator to be appropriate. The [director] chief administrator may also require the applicant to submit a copy of its business credentials, such as license to do business or certificate of incorporation. Prior to approval by the director chief administrator or the director's administrator's designee, the applicant shall certify in writing as to the truth of all statements contained in the completed application form.

c. Personal information shall be disclosed for use in connection with matters of motor vehicle or driver safety and theft; motor vehicle emissions; motor vehicle product alterations, recalls or advisories; performance monitoring of motor vehicles and dealers by motor vehicle manufacturers; and removal of non-owner records from the original owner records of motor vehicle manufacturers to carry out the purposes of the Automobile Information Disclosure Act, Pub.L.85-506, the Motor Vehicle Information and Cost Saving Act, Pub.L.92-513, the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1966, Pub.L.89-563, the Anti-Car Theft Act of 1992, Pub.L.102-519, and the Clean Air Act, Pub.L.88-206, and may be disclosed as follows:

(1) For use by any government agency, including any court or law enforcement agency in carrying out its functions, or any private person or entity acting on behalf of a federal, State or local agency in carrying out its functions.

- (2) For use in connection with matters of motor vehicle or driver safety and theft; motor vehicle emissions; motor vehicle product alterations, recalls, or advisories; performance monitoring of motor vehicles, motor vehicle parts and dealers; motor vehicle market research activities, including survey research; and the removal of non-owner records from the original owner records of motor vehicle manufacturers.
- (3) For use in the normal course of business by a legitimate business or its agents, employees or contractors, but only:
- (a) to verify the accuracy of personal information submitted by the individual to the business or its agents, employees, or contractors; and
- (b) if such information as so submitted is not correct or is no longer correct, to obtain the correct information, but only for the purposes of preventing fraud by, pursuing legal remedies against, or recovering on a debt or security interest against the individual.
- (4) For use in connection with any civil, criminal, administrative or arbitral proceeding in any federal, State or local court or agency or before any self-regulatory body, including service of process, investigation in anticipation of litigation, and the execution or enforcement of judgments and orders, or pursuant to an order of a federal, State or local court.
- (5) For use in research activities, and for use in producing statistical reports, so long as the personal information is not published, redisclosed, or used to contact individuals.
- (6) For use by any insurer or insurance support organization, or by a self-insured entity, or its agents, employees, or contractors, in connection with claims investigation activities, antifraud activities, rating or underwriting.
- (7) For use in providing notice to the owners of towed or impounded vehicles.
- (8) For use by an employer or its agent or insurer to obtain or verify information relating to a holder of a commercial driver's license that is required under the "Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Act," 49 U.S.C.App.s.2710 et seq.
- (9) For use in connection with the operation of private toll transportation facilities.
- (10) For use by any requester, if the requester demonstrates it has obtained the notarized written consent of the individual to whom the information pertains.
- (11) For product and service mail communications from automotive-related manufacturers, dealers and businesses, if the '[division] commission' has implemented methods and procedures to ensure that:

(a) individuals are provided an opportunity, in a clear and conspicuous manner, to prohibit such uses; and

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- (b) product and service mail communications from automotiverelated manufacturers, dealers and businesses will not be directed at individuals who exercise their option under subparagraph (a) of this paragraph.
- 7 (12) For use by an organ procurement organization designated pursuant to <sup>1</sup>[42 U.S.C. s.273(b) to serve] 42 U.S.C. s.1320b-8 to 8 serve in the State of New Jersey, Lexclusively for the purposes of 9 effectively procuring and equitably distributing organs] or any 10 donor registry established by any such organization, exclusively for 11 12 the purposes of determining, verifying, and recording organ and 13 tissue donor designation and identity. For these purposes, an organ 14 procurement organization shall have electronic access at all times, 15 without exception, to real time organ donor designation and 16 identification information. An organ procurement organization may 17 also have information for research activities, pursuant to paragraph (5) of subsection c. of this section<sup>1</sup>. 18
- 19 As provided by the federal "Drivers' Privacy Protection Act 20 of 1994," Pub.L.103-322, a person authorized to receive personal 21 information under paragraphs (1) through (10) of subsection c. of 22 this section may resell or redisclose the personal information only 23 for a use permitted by paragraphs (1) through (10) of subsection c. 24 of this section subject to regulation by the [division] commission. 25 A person authorized to receive personal information under 26 paragraph (11) of subsection c. of this section may resell or 27 redisclose the personal information pursuant to paragraph (11) of subsection c. of this section subject to regulation by the '[division] 28 commission<sup>1</sup>. An organization authorized to receive personal 29 30 information under paragraph (12) of subsection c. of this section 31 may '[resell or]' redisclose the personal information only for the 32 purposes set forth in that paragraph.
  - e. As provided by the federal "Drivers' Privacy Protection Act of 1994," Pub.L.103-322, a person authorized to receive personal information under this section who resells or rediscloses personal information covered by the provisions of this act shall keep for a period of five years records identifying each person or entity that receives information and the permitted purpose for which the information will be used and shall make such records available to the [division] commission upon request. Any person who receives, from any source, personal information from a motor vehicle record shall release or disclose that information only in accordance with this act.
- f. The release of personal information under this section shall not include an individual's social security number except in accordance with applicable State or federal law.
- 47 (cf: P.L.1997, c.188, s.2)

<sup>1</sup>3. Section 4 of P.L.1969, c.161 (C.26:6-60) is amended to read as follows:

- 4. (a) A gift of all or part of the body under section 2(a) may be made by will. The gift becomes effective upon the death of the testator without waiting for probate. If the will is not probated, or if it is declared invalid for testamentary purposes, the gift, to the extent that it has been acted upon in good faith, is nevertheless valid and effective.
- (b) A gift of all or part of the body under section 2(a) may also be made by document other than a will. The gift becomes effective upon the death of the donor. The document, which may be a card designed to be carried on the person, must be signed by the donor [in the presence of two witnesses who must sign the document in his presence]. If the donor cannot sign, the document may be signed for him at his direction and in his presence in the presence of two witnesses who must sign the document in his presence. Delivery of the document of gift during the donor's lifetime is not necessary to make the gift valid.
- (c) The gift may be made to a specified donee or without specifying a donee. If the latter, the gift may be accepted by the attending physician as donee upon or following death. If the gift is made to a specified donee who is not available at the time and place of death, the attending physician upon or following death, in the absence of any expressed indication that the donor desired otherwise, may accept the gift as donee. The physician who becomes a donee under this subsection shall not participate in the procedures for removing or transplanting a part.
- (d) Notwithstanding section 7(b), the donor may designate in his will, card, or other document of gift the surgeon or physician to carry out the appropriate procedures. In the absence of a designation or if the designee is not available, the donee or other person authorized to accept the gift may employ or authorize any surgeon or physician for the purpose or, in the case of a gift of eyes, he may employ or authorize a practitioner of mortuary science licensed by the State Board of Mortuary Science of New Jersey, an eye bank technician or a medical student who has successfully completed a course in eye enucleation approved by the State Board of Medical Examiners to enucleate eyes for the gift after certification of death by a physician. A practitioner of mortuary science, an eye bank technician or a medical student acting in accordance with the provisions of this subsection shall not have any liability, civil or criminal, for the eye enucleation.
- (e) Any gift by a person designated in section 2(b) shall be made by a document signed by him or made by his telegraphic, recorded telephonic, or other recorded message.
- (f) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the intent of a decedent to give all or any part of his body as a gift pursuant to section 2(a) of P.L.1969, c.161 (C.26:6-58), as

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1	evidenced by the possession of a donor card, donor designation on a
2	driver's license, advance directive pursuant to P.L.1991, c.201
3	(C.26:2H-53 et seq.), other document of gift, or by registration with
4	a Statewide organ and tissue donor registry, shall not be revoked by
5	any person designated in section 2(b) of P.L.1969, c.161 (C.26:6-
6	58), nor shall the consent of any such person at the time of the
7	donor's death or immediately thereafter be necessary to render the
8	gift valid and effective.
9	(cf: P.L.1998, c.81, s.1)
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11	<sup>1</sup> [3.] <u>4.</u> This act shall take effect on the first day of the
12	<sup>1</sup> [third] <u>fourth</u> month following enactment.
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17	Requires MVC to share organ donor information with federally
18	designated organ procurement organizations.

## **SENATE, No. 1760**

## **STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

## 212th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED MARCH 21, 2006

Sponsored by: Senator FRED H. MADDEN, JR. District 4 (Camden and Gloucester) Senator JOSEPH F. VITALE

**District 19 (Middlesex)** 

#### **SYNOPSIS**

Requires MVC to share organ donor information with federally designated organ procurement organizations.

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

As introduced.



**AN ACT** concerning organ donation and amending P.L. 1978, c.181 and P.L. 1997, c.188.

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

- 1. Section 1 of P.L. 1978, c.181 (C.39:3-12.2) is amended to read as follows:
- 1. a. The [Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles] Chief Administrator of the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission shall provide with every new license, renewal license, identification card or renewal identification card the opportunity for each person pursuant to the provisions of the "Uniform Anatomical Gift Act," P.L.1969, c.161 (C.26:6-65 et seq.), to designate that the person shall donate all or any body organs or parts for the purposes of transplantation, therapy, medical research or education upon his death.
  - b. The designation indicating that a person is a donor pursuant to subsection a. of this section shall be done in accordance with procedures prescribed by the [director] chief administrator. The designation shall be displayed in print in a conspicuous form and manner on the license or identification card, and electronically, by substantially the following statement: "ORGAN DONOR" and shall constitute sufficient legal authority for the removal of a body organ or part upon the death of the licensee or identification cardholder. The designation shall be removed in accordance with procedures prescribed by the [director] chief administrator.
    - c. (Deleted by amendment, P.L.1999, c.28).
  - d. For the purposes of this section, license shall not include any temporary license or learner's permit.
  - e. The chief administrator shall provide real-time access to the organ donor designation information the commission collects pursuant to subsection a. of this section to the organ procurement organizations designated pursuant to 42 U.S.C. s.273(b) to serve the State of New Jersey, the New Jersey.
- 36 (cf: P.L. 1999, c.28, s.6)

- 38 2. Section 2 of P.L. 1997, c.188 (C.39:2-3.4) is amended to read as follows:
- 2. a. Notwithstanding the provisions of P.L.1963, c.73 (C.47:1A-1 et seq.) or any other law to the contrary, except as provided in this act, the [Division of Motor Vehicles] Motor Vehicle Commission and any officer, employee or contractor thereof shall not knowingly disclose or otherwise make available to any person personal

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

information about any individual obtained by the **[**division**]** commission in connection with a motor vehicle record.

3 A person requesting a motor vehicle record including 4 personal information shall produce proper identification and shall 5 complete and submit a written request form provided by the [director] chief administrator for the [division's] commission's 6 7 The written request form shall bear notice that the 8 making of false statements therein is punishable and shall include, 9 but not be limited to, the requestor's name and address; the 10 requestor's driver's license number or corporate identification 11 number; the requestor's reason for requesting the record; the driver's 12 license number or the name, address and birth date of the person 13 whose driver record is requested; the license plate number or VIN 14 number of the vehicle for which a record is requested; any 15 additional information determined by the [director] chief 16 administrator to be appropriate and the requestor's certification as to 17 the truth of the foregoing statements. Prior to the approval of the 18 written request form, the [division] commission may also require 19 the requestor to submit documentary evidence supporting the reason 20 for the request.

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c. Personal information shall be disclosed for use in connection with matters of motor vehicle or driver safety and theft; motor vehicle emissions; motor vehicle product alterations, recalls or advisories; performance monitoring of motor vehicles and dealers by motor vehicle manufacturers; and removal of non-owner records

- 1 from the original owner records of motor vehicle manufacturers to
- 2 carry out the purposes of the Automobile Information Disclosure
- 3 Act, Pub.L.85-506, the Motor Vehicle Information and Cost Saving
- 4 Act, Pub.L.92-513, the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety
- 5 Act of 1966, Pub.L.89-563, the Anti-Car Theft Act of 1992,
- 6 Pub.L.102-519, and the Clean Air Act, Pub.L.88-206, and may be disclosed as follows:

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- (1) For use by any government agency, including any court or law enforcement agency in carrying out its functions, or any private person or entity acting on behalf of a federal, State or local agency in carrying out its functions.
- (2) For use in connection with matters of motor vehicle or driver safety and theft; motor vehicle emissions; motor vehicle product alterations, recalls, or advisories; performance monitoring of motor vehicles, motor vehicle parts and dealers; motor vehicle market research activities, including survey research; and the removal of non-owner records from the original owner records of motor vehicle manufacturers.
- (3) For use in the normal course of business by a legitimate business or its agents, employees or contractors, but only:
- (a) to verify the accuracy of personal information submitted by the individual to the business or its agents, employees, or contractors; and
- (b) if such information as so submitted is not correct or is no longer correct, to obtain the correct information, but only for the purposes of preventing fraud by, pursuing legal remedies against, or recovering on a debt or security interest against the individual.
- (4) For use in connection with any civil, criminal, administrative or arbitral proceeding in any federal, State or local court or agency or before any self-regulatory body, including service of process, investigation in anticipation of litigation, and the execution or enforcement of judgments and orders, or pursuant to an order of a federal, State or local court.
- (5) For use in research activities, and for use in producing statistical reports, so long as the personal information is not published, redisclosed, or used to contact individuals.
- (6) For use by any insurer or insurance support organization, or by a self-insured entity, or its agents, employees, or contractors, in connection with claims investigation activities, antifraud activities, rating or underwriting.
- (7) For use in providing notice to the owners of towed or impounded vehicles.
- 43 (8) For use by an employer or its agent or insurer to obtain or 44 verify information relating to a holder of a commercial driver's 45 license that is required under the "Commercial Motor Vehicle 46 Safety Act," 49 U.S.C.App.s.2710 et seq.
- 47 (9) For use in connection with the operation of private toll transportation facilities.

(10) For use by any requester, if the requester demonstrates it has obtained the notarized written consent of the individual to whom the information pertains.

- (11) For product and service mail communications from automotive-related manufacturers, dealers and businesses, if the division has implemented methods and procedures to ensure that:
- (a) individuals are provided an opportunity, in a clear and conspicuous manner, to prohibit such uses; and
- (b) product and service mail communications from automotiverelated manufacturers, dealers and businesses will not be directed at individuals who exercise their option under subparagraph (a) of this paragraph.
- (12) For use by an organ procurement organization designated pursuant to 42 U.S.C. s.273(b) to serve the State of New Jersey, exclusively for the purposes of effectively procuring and equitably distributing organs.
- d. As provided by the federal "Drivers' Privacy Protection Act of 1994," Pub.L. 103-322, a person authorized to receive personal information under paragraphs (1) through (10) of subsection c. of this section may resell or redisclose the personal information only for a use permitted by paragraphs (1) through (10) of subsection c. of this section subject to regulation by the [division] commission. A person authorized to receive personal information under paragraph (11) of subsection c. of this section may resell or redisclose the personal information pursuant to paragraph (11) of subsection c. of this section by the division. An organization authorized to receive personal information under paragraph (12) of subsection c. of this section may resell or redisclose the personal information only for the purposes set forth in that paragraph.
- e. As provided by the federal "Drivers' Privacy Protection Act of 1994," Pub.L. 103-322, a person authorized to receive personal information under this section who resells or rediscloses personal information covered by the provisions of this act shall keep for a period of five years records identifying each person or entity that receives information and the permitted purpose for which the information will be used and shall make such records available to the [division] commission upon request. Any person who receives, from any source, personal information from a motor vehicle record shall release or disclose that information only in accordance with this act.
- f. The release of personal information under this section shall not include an individual's social security number except in accordance with applicable State or federal law.
- 45 (cf: P.L.1997, c.188, s.2)

3. This act shall take effect on the first day of the third month following enactment.

#### S1760 MADDEN, VITALE

**STATEMENT** 

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3	This	bill	would	require	the	New	Jersey	Motor	Vehicle

This bill would require the New Jersey Motor Vehicle
Commission to share its organ donor information with appropriate

organ procurement organizations.

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As part of the State's driver license program, applicants for new licenses and those applying for license renewals are afforded an opportunity to designate whether they wish upon their deaths to donate all or any of their body organs or tissues for the purposes of transplantation, therapy, medical research or education.

While the Motor Vehicle Commission has all this information available, it is not readily accessible by the State's federally designated organ procurement organizations, the organizations charged with the responsibility of effectively procuring and equitably distributing donated organs and tissues within New Jersey.

This bill requires the Motor Vehicle Commission to provide realtime access to the organ donor designation information the commission collects as part of the State's driver license issuance and renewal program to the two organ procurement organizations the federal government has designated to serve New Jersey. Those two organizations are the New Jersey Organ and Tissue Sharing Network, which serves northern New Jersey, and the Gift of Life Organ Donation Program, which serves the southern part of the State.

The bill specifies that the information made available to these organizations may only be used for organ procurement and distribution purposes.

#### SENATE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

#### STATEMENT TO

# [First Reprint] **SENATE, No. 1760**

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JANUARY 29, 2007

The Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 1760 (1R).

Senate Bill No. 1760 (1R) requires the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission (MVC) to share its organ donor information with the federally designated organ procurement organizations (OPOs) operating in this State, which are charged with the responsibility of effectively procuring and equitably distributing donated organs and tissues within New Jersey.

Currently, applicants for new driver licenses and license renewals may designate whether they wish to donate all or any of their body organs or tissues, upon their deaths, for the purposes of transplantation, therapy, medical research, or education; however, the OPOs cannot readily obtain this information from MVC.

The bill provides specifically as follows:

- The Chief Administrator of MVC, in consultation with the OPOs, is to establish and provide an annual education program for agency employees and personnel. The program is to focus on the benefits associated with organ and tissue donations, the scope and operation of New Jersey's donor program, and how MVC employees and personnel can effectively inform the public about the donor program and best assist those wishing to participate in the donor program.
- MVC is to electronically record and store all organ donor designations and identification information and provide real time electronic access to the organ donor designation information that it collects, in the course of issuing and renewing driver licenses, to the two OPOs designated by the federal government to serve New Jersey (the New Jersey Organ and Tissue Sharing Network and the Gift of Life Organ Donation Program, which serve northern and southern New Jersey, respectively).
- The information to be made available to the OPOs includes the donor's name, address, date of birth, gender, color of eyes, height, and driver's license number.
- The information made available to the OPOs may only be used for the purposes of:

- -- determining, verifying, and recording organ and tissue donor designation and identity; and
- -- use in research activities and producing statistical reports, so long as the personal information is not published, redisclosed, or used to contact individuals.

The OPOs may contract with a third party, in consultation with the chief administrator of the MVC, to assess, develop, and implement any system set-up necessary to support the initial and ongoing electronic access by those organizations to the donor designation and identification information; however, the OPO's will not be required to incur an aggregate cost in excess of \$50,000 for this purpose.

The bill also deletes a provision of the "Uniform Anatomical Gift Act," that two witnesses must be present when an organ donor signs a donor card and must sign the document in the donor's presence. The bill takes effect on the first day of the fourth month following enactment.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**:

Data is unavailable to estimate the cost of establishing the information systems and real time electronic access proposed by the bill. According to information informally provided by the MVC to the Office of Legislative Services, the OPOs have agreed to reimburse the New Jersey Office of Information Technology for up to \$50,000 of the costs incurred as the third party that will develop and implement the system set-up. If the costs of the Office of Information Technology are less than \$50,000, there will be no net cost to the State.

In addition, the MVC will incur unknown ongoing activity costs for staff education related to the information database.

#### SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

#### STATEMENT TO

#### **SENATE, No. 1760**

with committee amendments

### STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: NOVEMBER 27, 2006

The Senate Transportation Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 1760 with committee amendments.

As amended by the committee, this bill would require the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission (MVC) to share its organ donor information with the federally designated organ procurement organizations (OPOs) operating in this State, which are charged with the responsibility of effectively procuring and equitably distributing donated organs and tissues within New Jersey.

Currently, applicants for new driver licenses and license renewals may designate whether they wish to donate all or any of their body organs or tissues, upon their deaths, for the purposes of transplantation, therapy, medical research, or education; however, the OPOs cannot readily obtain this information from MVC.

The bill provides specifically as follows:

- The Chief Administrator of MVC, in consultation with the OPOs, is to establish and provide an annual education program for agency employees and personnel. The program is to focus on the benefits associated with organ and tissue donations, the scope and operation of New Jersey's donor program, and how MVC employees and personnel can effectively inform the public about the donor program and best assist those wishing to participate in the donor program.
- MVC is to electronically record and store all organ donor designations and identification information and provide real time electronic access to the organ donor designation information that it collects, in the course of issuing and renewing driver licenses, to the two OPOs designated by the federal government pursuant to 42 U.S.C. s.273 to serve New Jersey (the New Jersey Organ and Tissue Sharing Network and the Gift of Life Organ Donation Program, which serve northern and southern New Jersey, respectively).
- The information to be made available to the OPOs includes the donor's name, address, date of birth, gender, color of eyes, height, and driver's license number.
- The information made available to the OPOs may only be used for the purposes of:

- -- determining, verifying, and recording organ and tissue donor designation and identity; and
- -- use in research activities and producing statistical reports, so long as the personal information is not published, redisclosed, or used to contact individuals.
- The bill also amends section 4 of P.L.1969, c.161 (C.26:6-60) to delete its provision that two witnesses must be present when an organ donor signs a donor card and must sign the document in the donor's presence.
- The bill takes effect on the first day of the fourth month following enactment.

The committee amended the bill to clarify the purpose of the bill to ensure that the federally designated OPOs operating in New Jersey have electronic access at all times to real time organ donor designation and identification information; authorize the OPOs to contract with a third party, in consultation with the MVC chief administrator, to assess, develop, and implement any system set-up necessary to support the initial and ongoing electronic access by the OPOs to the donor designation and identification information required to be made available in accordance with this bill, but stipulate that the OPOs will not be required to incur an aggregate cost in excess of \$50,000 for these purposes; and change the effective date from the first day of the third month to the first day of the fourth month following enactment.

#### LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE

[First Reprint]

## SENATE, No. 1760 STATE OF NEW JERSEY 212th LEGISLATURE

DATED: FEBRUARY 9, 2007

#### **SUMMARY**

**Synopsis:** Requires MVC to share organ donor information with federally

designated organ procurement organizations.

**Type of Impact:** Ongoing cost increase, with possible partial revenue offset.

**Agencies Affected:** Motor Vehicle Commission, Office of Information Technology.

#### Office of Legislative Services Estimate

Fiscal Impact	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3		
State Cost	Indeterminate - possible revenue offset				
Agency Cost	Indeterminate				

- The Motor Vehicle Commission (MVC) will coordinate with the New Jersey Organ and Tissue Sharing Network and the Gift of Life Organ Donation Program to establish real-time access to the agency's organ-donor databases, as well as ongoing educational and system maintenance costs.
- The organ procurement organizations (OPOs) have agreed to reimburse the Office of Information technology for initial system setup costs, up to \$50,000. The MVC will incur ongoing educational activity costs.

#### **BILL DESCRIPTION**

Senate Bill No. 1760 (1R) of 2006 proposes to require the MVC to share its organ donor information with the federally designated private-sector organ procurement organizations (OPOs) operating in this State, which are charged with the responsibility of effectively procuring and equitably distributing donated organs and tissues within New Jersey.

Currently, applicants for new driver licenses and license renewals may designate whether they wish to donate all or any of their body organs or tissues, upon their deaths, for the purposes of transplantation, therapy, medical research, or education; however, the OPOs cannot readily obtain this information from MVC.



The bill provides specifically as follows:

- The Chief Administrator of MVC, in consultation with the OPOs, is to establish and provide an annual education program for agency employees and personnel. The program is to focus on the benefits associated with organ and tissue donations, the scope and operation of New Jersey's donor program, and how MVC employees and personnel can effectively inform the public about the donor program and best assist those wishing to participate in the donor program.
- The MVC is to electronically record and store all organ donor designations and identification information and provide real time electronic access to the organ donor designation information that it collects, in the course of issuing and renewing driver licenses, to the two OPOs designated by the federal government pursuant to 42 U.S.C. s.273 to serve New Jersey (the New Jersey Organ and Tissue Sharing Network and the Gift of Life Organ Donation Program, which serve northern and southern New Jersey, respectively). The OPOs will not be required to incur an aggregate cost in excess of \$50,000 for these purposes.

#### FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### EXECUTIVE BRANCH

None received.

#### OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

Data is unavailable to estimate the cost of establishing the information systems proposed by the bill. According to information informally provided by the MVC, the OPOs have agreed to reimburse the Office of Information Technology for costs incurred as the third party that, under section 1.g. of the bill, is to develop and implement the system set-up. If the activity costs of the Office of Information Technology are less than \$50,000, there will be no net cost to the State.

In addition, the MVC will incur unknown ongoing activity costs for staff education related to the database.

Section: Authorities, Utilities, Transportation and Communications

Analyst: Mark J. Trease

Associate Fiscal Analyst

Approved: David J. Rosen

Legislative Budget and Finance Officer

This legislative fiscal estimate has been produced by the Office of Legislative Services due to the failure of the Executive Branch to respond to our request for a fiscal note.

This fiscal estimate has been prepared pursuant to P.L. 1980, c.67.

## ASSEMBLY, No. 3137

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

### 212th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED MAY 18, 2006

**Sponsored by:** 

Assemblyman HERB CONAWAY, JR.
District 7 (Burlington and Camden)
Assemblyman ERIC MUNOZ
District 21 (Essex, Morris, Somerset and Union)

**Co-Sponsored by: Assemblyman Epps** 

#### **SYNOPSIS**

Requires MVC to share organ donor information with federally designated organ procurement organizations.

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



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 10/20/2006)

**AN ACT** concerning organ donation and amending P.L.1978, c.181, P.L.1997, c.188 and P.L.1969, c.161.

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

- 1. Section 1 of P.L.1978, c.181 (C.39:3-12.2) is amended to read as follows:
- 1. a. The [Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles] Chief Administrator of the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission shall provide with every new license, renewal license, identification card or renewal identification card the opportunity for each person pursuant to the provisions of the "Uniform Anatomical Gift Act," P.L.1969, c.161 (C.26:6-65 et seq.), to designate that the person shall donate all or any body organs or parts for the purposes of transplantation, therapy, medical research or education upon his death.
  - b. The designation indicating that a person is a donor pursuant to subsection a. of this section shall be done in accordance with procedures prescribed by the [director] chief administrator. The designation shall be displayed in print in a conspicuous form and manner on the license or identification card, and electronically, by substantially the following statement: "ORGAN DONOR" and shall constitute sufficient legal authority for the removal of a body organ or part upon the death of the licensee or identification cardholder. The designation shall be removed in accordance with procedures prescribed by the [director] chief administrator.
    - c. (Deleted by amendment, P.L.1999, c.28).
  - d. For the purposes of this section, license shall not include any temporary license or learner's permit.
  - e. The chief administrator shall provide real-time access to the organ procurement organizations designated pursuant to 42 U.S.C. s.273 which serve the State of New Jersey to the organ donor designation information collected pursuant to subsection a. of this section
- 36 (cf: P.L.1999, c.28, s.6)

- 38 2. Section 2 of P.L. 1997, c.188 (C.39:2-3.4) is amended to read as follows:
- 2. a. Notwithstanding the provisions of P.L.1963, c.73
  (C.47:1A-1 et seq.) or any other law to the contrary, except as
  provided in this act, the [Division of Motor Vehicles] Motor
  Vehicle Commission and any officer, employee or contractor
  thereof shall not knowingly disclose or otherwise make available to
  any person personal information about any individual obtained by

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

the **[**division**]** commission in connection with a motor vehicle record.

3 A person requesting a motor vehicle record including b. 4 personal information shall produce proper identification and shall 5 complete and submit a written request form provided by the [director] chief administrator for the [division's] commission's 6 7 The written request form shall bear notice that the 8 making of false statements therein is punishable and shall include, 9 but not be limited to, the requestor's name and address; the 10 requestor's driver's license number or corporate identification 11 number; the requestor's reason for requesting the record; the driver's 12 license number or the name, address and birth date of the person 13 whose driver record is requested; the license plate number or VIN 14 number of the vehicle for which a record is requested; any 15 additional information determined by the [director] chief 16 administrator to be appropriate and the requestor's certification as to 17 the truth of the foregoing statements. Prior to the approval of the 18 written request form, the [division] commission may also require 19 the requestor to submit documentary evidence supporting the reason 20 for the request.

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In lieu of completing a written request form for each record requested, the [division] commission may permit a person to complete and submit for approval of the [director] chief administrator or the [director's] chief administrator's designee, on a case by case basis, a written application form for participation in a public information program on an ongoing basis. The written application form shall bear notice that the making of false statements therein is punishable and shall include, but not be limited to, the applicant's name, address and telephone number; the nature of the applicant's business activity; a description of each of the applicant's intended uses of the information contained in the motor vehicle records to be requested; the number of employees with access to the information; the name, title and signature of the authorized company representative; and any additional information determined by the [director] chief administrator to be appropriate. The [director] chief administrator may also require the applicant to submit a copy of its business credentials, such as license to do business or certificate of incorporation. Prior to approval by the director chief administrator or the director's administrator's designee, the applicant shall certify in writing as to the truth of all statements contained in the completed application

c. Personal information shall be disclosed for use in connection with matters of motor vehicle or driver safety and theft; motor vehicle emissions; motor vehicle product alterations, recalls or advisories; performance monitoring of motor vehicles and dealers by motor vehicle manufacturers; and removal of non-owner records

- 1 from the original owner records of motor vehicle manufacturers to
- 2 carry out the purposes of the Automobile Information Disclosure
- 3 Act, Pub.L.85-506, the Motor Vehicle Information and Cost Saving
- 4 Act, Pub.L.92-513, the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety
- 5 Act of 1966, Pub.L.89-563, the Anti-Car Theft Act of 1992,
- 6 Pub.L.102-519, and the Clean Air Act, Pub.L.88-206, and may be disclosed as follows:

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- (1) For use by any government agency, including any court or law enforcement agency in carrying out its functions, or any private person or entity acting on behalf of a federal, State or local agency in carrying out its functions.
- (2) For use in connection with matters of motor vehicle or driver safety and theft; motor vehicle emissions; motor vehicle product alterations, recalls, or advisories; performance monitoring of motor vehicles, motor vehicle parts and dealers; motor vehicle market research activities, including survey research; and the removal of non-owner records from the original owner records of motor vehicle manufacturers.
- (3) For use in the normal course of business by a legitimate business or its agents, employees or contractors, but only:
- (a) to verify the accuracy of personal information submitted by the individual to the business or its agents, employees, or contractors; and
- (b) if such information as so submitted is not correct or is no longer correct, to obtain the correct information, but only for the purposes of preventing fraud by, pursuing legal remedies against, or recovering on a debt or security interest against the individual.
- (4) For use in connection with any civil, criminal, administrative or arbitral proceeding in any federal, State or local court or agency or before any self-regulatory body, including service of process, investigation in anticipation of litigation, and the execution or enforcement of judgments and orders, or pursuant to an order of a federal, State or local court.
- (5) For use in research activities, and for use in producing statistical reports, so long as the personal information is not published, redisclosed, or used to contact individuals.
- (6) For use by any insurer or insurance support organization, or by a self-insured entity, or its agents, employees, or contractors, in connection with claims investigation activities, antifraud activities, rating or underwriting.
- (7) For use in providing notice to the owners of towed or impounded vehicles.
- 43 (8) For use by an employer or its agent or insurer to obtain or 44 verify information relating to a holder of a commercial driver's 45 license that is required under the "Commercial Motor Vehicle 46 Safety Act," 49 U.S.C.App.s.2710 et seq.
  - (9) For use in connection with the operation of private toll transportation facilities.

(10) For use by any requester, if the requester demonstrates it has obtained the notarized written consent of the individual to whom the information pertains.

- (11) For product and service mail communications from automotive-related manufacturers, dealers and businesses, if the division has implemented methods and procedures to ensure that:
- (a) individuals are provided an opportunity, in a clear and conspicuous manner, to prohibit such uses; and
- (b) product and service mail communications from automotiverelated manufacturers, dealers and businesses will not be directed at individuals who exercise their option under subparagraph (a) of this paragraph.
- (12) For use by an organ procurement organization designated pursuant to 42 U.S.C. s.273 to operate within the State of New Jersey, or any donor registry established by any such organization, exclusively for the purposes of determining, verifying and recording organ and tissue donor designation and the identity of decedents. For these purposes, an organ procurement organization shall have access at all times, without exception, to real time organ donor designation and identification information. An organ procurement organization may also have information for research activities, pursuant to paragraph (5) of subsection c. of this section.
- d. As provided by the federal "Drivers' Privacy Protection Act of 1994," Pub.L. 103-322, a person authorized to receive personal information under paragraphs (1) through (10) of subsection c. of this section may resell or redisclose the personal information only for a use permitted by paragraphs (1) through (10) of subsection c. of this section subject to regulation by the [division] commission. A person authorized to receive personal information under paragraph (11) of subsection c. of this section may resell or redisclose the personal information pursuant to paragraph (11) of subsection c. of this section by the division. An organization authorized to receive personal information under paragraph (12) of subsection c. of this section may redisclose the personal information only for the purposes set forth in that paragraph.
- e. As provided by the federal "Drivers' Privacy Protection Act of 1994," Pub.L. 103-322, a person authorized to receive personal information under this section who resells or rediscloses personal information covered by the provisions of this act shall keep for a period of five years records identifying each person or entity that receives information and the permitted purpose for which the information will be used and shall make such records available to the [division] commission upon request. Any person who receives, from any source, personal information from a motor vehicle record shall release or disclose that information only in accordance with this act.

- f. The release of personal information under this section shall not include an individual's social security number except in accordance with applicable State or federal law.
- 4 (cf: P.L.1997, c.188, s.2)

- 6 3. Section 1 of P.L.1978, c.181 (C.39:3-12.2) is amended to read as follows:
- 1. a. The [Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles] Chief Administrator of the Motor Vehicle Commission shall provide with every new license, renewal license, identification card or renewal identification card the opportunity for each person pursuant to the provisions of the "Uniform Anatomical Gift Act," P.L.1969, c.161 (C.26:6-65 et seq.), to designate that the person shall donate all or any body organs or parts for the purposes of transplantation, therapy, medical research or education upon his death.
  - b. The designation indicating that a person is a donor pursuant to subsection a. of this section shall be done in accordance with procedures prescribed by the [director] chief administrator. The designation shall be displayed in print in a conspicuous form and manner on the license or identification card, and electronically, by substantially the following statement: "ORGAN DONOR" and shall constitute sufficient legal authority for the removal of a body organ or part upon the death of the licensee or identification cardholder. The designation shall be removed in accordance with procedures prescribed by the [director] chief administrator.
    - c. (Deleted by amendment, P.L.1999, c.28).
  - d. [For the purposes of this section, license shall not include any temporary license or learner's permit.] (Deleted by amendment, P.L., c. (C.) (pending before the Legislature as this bill).
  - e. The chief administrator, in consultation with those organ procurement organizations designated pursuant to 42 U.S.C. s.273 to operate within the State of New Jersey, shall establish and provide an annual education program for all commission employees and personnel. The program shall focus on the benefits associated with organ and tissue donations, the scope and operation of New Jersey's donor program and how the commission's employees and personnel can effectively inform the public about the donor program and can best assist those wishing to participate in the donor program.
  - f. The chief administrator shall electronically record and store all organ donor designations and identification information. An organ procurement organization designated pursuant to 42 U.S.C. s.273 to operate within the State of New Jersey, or any donor registry established by any such organization, shall have real time access to those organ donor designations and identification at all times, without exception, for the purposes of verifying organ and tissue donation status and identity. For these purposes, the

1 federally designated organ procurement organization shall have 2

access to each recorded donor's name, address, date of birth,

- 3 gender, color or eyes, height, and driver's license number, digitized
- 4 picture and signature.

5 (cf: P.L.1999, c.28, s.6)

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- 4. Section 4 of P.L.1969, c.161 (C.26:6-60) is amended to read as follows:
- 4. (a) A gift of all or part of the body under section 2(a) may be made by will. The gift becomes effective upon the death of the testator without waiting for probate. If the will is not probated, or if it is declared invalid for testamentary purposes, the gift, to the extent that it has been acted upon in good faith, is nevertheless valid and effective.
- (b) A gift of all or part of the body under section 2(a) may also be made by document other than a will. The gift becomes effective upon the death of the donor. The document, which may be a card designed to be carried on the person, must be signed by the donor In the presence of two witnesses who must sign the document in his presence. If the donor cannot sign, the document may be signed for him at his direction and in his presence in the presence of two witnesses who must sign the document in his presence. Delivery of the document of gift during the donor's lifetime is not necessary to make the gift valid.
- The gift may be made to a specified donee or without specifying a donee. If the latter, the gift may be accepted by the attending physician as donee upon or following death. If the gift is made to a specified donee who is not available at the time and place of death, the attending physician upon or following death, in the absence of any expressed indication that the donor desired otherwise, may accept the gift as donee. The physician who becomes a donee under this subsection shall not participate in the procedures for removing or transplanting a part.
- (d) Notwithstanding section 7(b), the donor may designate in his will, card, or other document of gift the surgeon or physician to carry out the appropriate procedures. In the absence of a designation or if the designee is not available, the donee or other person authorized to accept the gift may employ or authorize any surgeon or physician for the purpose or, in the case of a gift of eyes, he may employ or authorize a practitioner of mortuary science licensed by the State Board of Mortuary Science of New Jersey, an eye bank technician or a medical student who has successfully completed a course in eye enucleation approved by the State Board of Medical Examiners to enucleate eyes for the gift after certification of death by a physician. A practitioner of mortuary science, an eye bank technician or a medical student acting in accordance with the provisions of this subsection shall not have any liability, civil or criminal, for the eye enucleation.

- (e) Any gift by a person designated in section 2(b) shall be made by a document signed by him or made by his telegraphic, recorded telephonic, or other recorded message.
- (f) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the intent of a decedent to give all or any part of his body as a gift pursuant to section 2(a) of P.L.1969, c.161 (C.26:6-58), as evidenced by the possession of a donor card, donor designation on a driver's license, advance directive pursuant to P.L.1991, c.201 (C.26:2H-53 et seq.), other document of gift, or by registration with a Statewide organ and tissue donor registry, shall not be revoked by any person designated in section 2(b) of P.L.1969, c.161 (C.26:6-58), nor shall the consent of any such person at the time of the donor's death or immediately thereafter be necessary to render the gift valid and effective.

15 (cf: P.L.1998, c.81, s.1)

5. This act shall take effect on the first day of the third month following enactment.

#### **STATEMENT**

 This bill would require the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission to share its organ donor information with appropriate organ procurement organizations.

As part of the State's driver license program, applicants for new licenses and those applying for license renewals are afforded an opportunity to designate whether they wish upon their deaths to donate all or any of their body organs or tissues for the purposes of transplantation, therapy, medical research or education.

While the Motor Vehicle Commission has all this information available, it is not readily accessible by the State's federally designated organ procurement organizations, the organizations charged with the responsibility of effectively procuring and equitably distributing donated organs and tissues within New Jersey.

This bill requires the Motor Vehicle Commission to provide real-time access to the organ donor designation information the commission collects as part of the State's driver license issuance and renewal program to the two organ procurement organizations the federal government has designated to serve New Jersey. Those two organizations are the New Jersey Organ and Tissue Sharing Network, which serves northern New Jersey, and the Gift of Life Organ Donation Program, which serves southern New Jersey. The information that is to be made available to these organizations includes the donor's name, address, date of birth, gender, color of eyes, height and driver's license number, digitized picture and signature.

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1	The bill specifies that the information made available to these
2	organizations may only be used for organ procurement and
3	distribution purposes.
4	The bill also amends section 4 of P.L.1969, c.161 (C.26:6-60) to
5	remove the requirement that organ donor cards must be signed in
6	the presence of two witnesses who, in turn, must sign the document
7	in the donor's presence.

#### ASSEMBLY HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES COMMITTEE

#### STATEMENT TO

#### ASSEMBLY, No. 3137

with committee amendments

### STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: OCTOBER 19, 2006

The Assembly Health and Senior Services Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 3137.

As amended by the committee, this bill would require the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission (MVC) to share its organ donor information with the federally designated organ procurement organizations (OPOs) operating in this State, which are charged with the responsibility of effectively procuring and equitably distributing donated organs and tissues within New Jersey.

Currently, applicants for new driver licenses and license renewals may designate whether they wish to donate all or any of their body organs or tissues, upon their deaths, for the purposes of transplantation, therapy, medical research, or education; however, the OPOs cannot readily obtain this information from MVC.

The bill provides specifically as follows:

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- MVC is to provide real time electronic access to the organ donor designation information that it collects, in the course of issuing and renewing driver licenses, to the two OPOs designated by the federal government pursuant to 42 U.S.C. s.273 to serve New Jersey (the New Jersey Organ and Tissue Sharing Network and the Gift of Life Organ Donation Program, which serve northern and southern New Jersey, respectively).
- The information to be made available to the OPOs includes the donor's name, address, date of birth, gender, color of eyes, height and driver's license number, digitized picture and signature.
- The information made available to the OPOs may only be used for the purposes of:

- -- determining, verifying and recording organ and tissue donor designation and identity; and
- -- use in research activities and producing statistical reports, so long as the personal information is not published, redisclosed, or used to contact individuals.
- The bill also amends section 4 of P.L.1969, c.161 (C.26:6-60) to delete its provision that two witnesses must be present when an organ donor signs a donor card and must sign the document in the donor's presence.
- The bill takes effect on the first day of the fourth month following enactment.

#### **COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

The committee amendments to the bill:

- clarify the purpose of the bill to ensure that the federally designated OPOs operating in New Jersey have electronic access at all times to real time organ donor designation and identification information;
- authorize the OPOs to contract with a third party, in consultation with the MVC chief administrator, to assess, develop, and implement any system set-up necessary to support the initial and ongoing electronic access by the OPOs to the donor designation and identification information required to be made available in accordance with this bill; but stipulate that the OPOs will not be required to incur an aggregate cost in excess of \$50,000 for these purposes;
- require that the MVC chief administrator work cooperatively with the OPOs to ensure access to the information required to be made available in accordance with the provisions of the bill; and
- change the effective date from the first day of the third month to the first day of the fourth month following enactment.

#### STATEMENT TO

# [First Reprint] **ASSEMBLY, No. 3137**

with Assembly Floor Amendments (Proposed By Assemblyman CONAWAY)

ADOPTED: JANUARY 29, 2007

These amendments make technical changes in the bill to conform its provisions with Senate Bill No. 1760 (1R) (Madden/Vitale). The amendments: delete an unnecessary section of the bill which amends existing law (section 1 of P.L.1978, c.181; C.39:3-12.2) and consolidate the amendatory provisions of that section in another section of the bill which amends the same law; correct references to the federal law (42 U.S.C. s.1320b-8) pursuant to which organ procurement organizations are designated to serve in this State; and update references to the former Division of Motor Vehicles (in section 2) as the Motor Vehicle Commission, which were inadvertently omitted from the current version of the bill.

#### LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE

[First Reprint]

## ASSEMBLY, No. 3137 STATE OF NEW JERSEY 212th LEGISLATURE

DATED: FEBRUARY 13, 2007

#### **SUMMARY**

**Synopsis:** Requires MVC to share organ donor information with federally

designated organ procurement organizations.

**Type of Impact:** Ongoing cost increase, with possible partial revenue offset.

**Agencies Affected:** Motor Vehicle Commission, Office of Information Technology.

#### Office of Legislative Services Estimate

Fiscal Impact	<u>Year 1</u>	<u>Year 2</u>	Year 3		
State Cost	Indeterminate - possible revenue offset				
Agency Cost	Indeterminate				

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- The organ procurement organizations (OPOs) have agreed to reimburse the Office of Information technology for initial system setup costs, up to \$50,000. The MVC will incur ongoing educational activity costs.

#### **BILL DESCRIPTION**

Assembly Bill No. 3137 (1R) of 2006 proposes to require the MVC to share its organ donor information with the federally designated private-sector organ procurement organizations (OPOs) operating in this State, which are charged with the responsibility of effectively procuring and equitably distributing donated organs and tissues within New Jersey.

Currently, applicants for new driver licenses and license renewals may designate whether they wish to donate all or any of their body organs or tissues, upon their deaths, for the purposes



of transplantation, therapy, medical research, or education; however, the OPOs cannot readily obtain this information from MVC.

The bill provides specifically as follows:

- The Chief Administrator of MVC, in consultation with the OPOs, is to establish and provide an annual education program for agency employees and personnel. The program is to focus on the benefits associated with organ and tissue donations, the scope and operation of New Jersey's donor program, and how MVC employees and personnel can effectively inform the public about the donor program and best assist those wishing to participate in the donor program.
- The MVC is to electronically record and store all organ donor designations and identification information and provide real time electronic access to the organ donor designation information that it collects, in the course of issuing and renewing driver licenses, to the two OPOs designated by the federal government pursuant to 42 U.S.C. s.273 to serve New Jersey (the New Jersey Organ and Tissue Sharing Network and the Gift of Life Organ Donation Program, which serve northern and southern New Jersey, respectively). The OPOs will not be required to incur an aggregate cost in excess of \$50,000 for these purposes.

#### **FISCAL ANALYSIS**

#### **EXECUTIVE BRANCH**

None received.

#### OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

Data is unavailable to estimate the cost of establishing the information systems proposed by the bill. According to information informally provided by the MVC, the OPOs have agreed to reimburse the Office of Information Technology for costs incurred as the third party that, under section 3 of the bill, is to develop and implement the system set-up. If the activity costs of the Office of Information Technology are less than \$50,000, there will be no net cost to the State.

In addition, the MVC will incur unknown ongoing activity costs for staff education related to the database.

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#### LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE

[Second Reprint]

## ASSEMBLY, No. 3137 STATE OF NEW JERSEY 212th LEGISLATURE

**DATED: MARCH 14, 2007** 

#### **SUMMARY**

**Synopsis:** Requires MVC to share organ donor information with federally

designated organ procurement organizations.

**Type of Impact:** Ongoing cost increase, with possible partial revenue offset.

**Agencies Affected:** Motor Vehicle Commission, Office of Information Technology.

#### Office of Legislative Services Estimate

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