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[Second Reprint]
ASSEMBLY, No. 1139

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 1996 SESSION

By Assemblywoman MURPHY, Assemblymen DeCROCE and Bucco

1 AN ACT authorizing "Conquer Cancer" license plates and
2 supplementing chapter 3 of Title 39 of the Revised Statutes.

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

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7 1. a. The Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles may issue for
8 a motor vehicle owned or leased and registered in the State special
9 license plates bearing, in addition to the registration number and other
10 markings or identification otherwise prescribed by law, the slogan
11 "Conquer Cancer." These plates may include an emblem, to be
12 designed by the Commissioner of Health and approved by the Director
13 of the Division of Motor Vehicles, indicating support for, or an
14 interest in, finding new methods of treating and preventing cancer.

15 b. Application for issuance of a "Conquer Cancer" license plate
16 shall be made to the director on such forms and in such manner as may
17 be prescribed by the director. The director shall collect for each set
18 of plates issued an application fee of ¹**[\$40]** \$50¹, and an annual
19 renewal fee of ¹**[\$12]** \$10¹, in addition to the fees otherwise
20 prescribed by law for the registration of motor vehicles.

21 c. Monies collected from all fees for "Conquer Cancer" license
22 plates shall be deposited in the Cancer Research Fund, established in
23 the Department of Health pursuant to section 5 of P.L.1982, c.40
24 (C.54:40A-37.1). ²Any monetary donation made available to the State
25 to support the provisions of this bill shall be deposited in the Cancer
26 Research Fund for use as set forth in this section.² Interest or other
27 income earned on monies deposited under this act into the Cancer
28 Research Fund shall be credited to the fund for use as set forth in this
29 section.

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

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹ Assembly ATC committee amendments adopted March 4, 1996.

² Assembly floor amendments adopted December 12, 1996.

1 Funds shall be utilized by the New Jersey State Commission on
2 Cancer Research: (1) ²first² to reimburse the Division of Motor
3 Vehicles for all costs ¹, including those costs associated with computer
4 programing changes,¹ incurred in producing, issuing, ¹renewing¹ and
5 publicizing the availability of "Conquer Cancer" license plates; (2) to
6 reimburse the Department of Health for the design and printing of
7 notices, posters and signs to be utilized by the Division of Motor
8 Vehicles; and (3) for ¹instititutional support services for its¹
9 approved research projects as defined in section 3 of P.L.1983, c.6
10 (C.52:9U-3).

11 d. The director shall annually certify to the Commissioner of Health
12 the average cost per license plate incurred in the immediately
13 preceding year by the Division of Motor Vehicles in producing, issuing
14 ¹, renewing¹ and publicizing the availability of "Conquer Cancer"
15 license plates. The commissioner shall annually report the Department
16 of Health's costs and the division's costs to the Office of Management
17 and Budget.

18 e. The director shall notify eligible motorists of the opportunity to
19 obtain "Conquer Cancer" license plates by including a notice with all
20 motor vehicle registration renewals, and by posting appropriate
21 posters or signs in all division facilities and offices, as may be provided
22 by the Department of Health. The notices, posters and signs shall be
23 designed by the Commissioner of Health after consulting with the New
24 Jersey State Commission on Cancer Research. The designs shall be
25 subject to the approval of the director. The Department of Health
26 shall supply the division with the notices, posters and signs to be
27 circulated or posted by the division.

28 f. The Commissioner of Health, the New Jersey State Commission
29 on Cancer Research, and the director shall develop and enter into an
30 interagency memorandum of agreement setting forth the procedures
31 to be followed by the Department of Health, the commission and the
32 division in carrying out their respective responsibilities under this act.

33 ¹g. In the event that the average cost per license plate, as certified
34 by the director and approved by the Joint Budget Oversight
35 Committee, or its successor, is greater than the \$50 application fee
36 established in subsection b. of this section in two consecutive fiscal
37 years, the director may discontinue the issuance of the "Conquer
38 Cancer" license plate.¹

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40 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the ¹fifth¹ seventh¹
41 month after enactment; except the Commissioner of Health, the State
42 Treasurer and the Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles may take
43 such action in advance of the effective date as may be necessary for he
44 timely implementation of this act.

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22 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the fifth month after
23 enactment; except the Commissioner of Health, the State Treasurer
24 and the Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles may take such
25 action in advance of the effective date as may be necessary for the
26 timely implementation of this act.

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29 STATEMENT

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31 This bill permits the issuance of special "Conquer Cancer" license
32 plates to raise funds to assist the State Commission on Cancer
33 Research in its efforts to find new methods of treating and preventing
34 cancer through its approved research projects at qualifying research
35 institutions throughout the State.

36 Motorists who wish the plates, which will bear the slogan "Conquer
37 Cancer" and may have a distinctive emblem, would be required to pay
38 a \$40 application fee and a \$12 annual renewal fee. A portion of the
39 revenues raised would be used to reimburse the Division of Motor
40 Vehicles and the Department of Health for their costs related to the
41 new plates. The existing Cancer Research Fund, out of which monies
42 are appropriated for research projects of the commission, will serve as
43 the depository for these fees to be allocated to future projects.

ASSEMBLY TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1139

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 4, 1996

The Assembly Transportation and Communications Committee favorably reports Assembly Bill No. 1139 with committee amendments.

This amended bill permits the issuance of special "Conquer Cancer" license plates to raise funds to assist the New Jersey State Commission on Cancer Research in its efforts to find new methods of treating and preventing cancer through its approved research projects at qualifying research institutions throughout the State.

Motorists who wish the plates, which will bear the slogan "Conquer Cancer" and may have a distinctive emblem, would be required to pay a \$50 application fee and a \$10 annual renewal fee. A portion of the revenues raised would be used to reimburse the Division of Motor Vehicles and the Department of Health for their costs related to the new plates. The existing Cancer Research Fund, out of which monies are appropriated for research projects of the commission, will serve as the depository for these fees to be allocated to future projects.

The committee amendments delete language which would have allowed funds realized by the "Conquer Cancer" license plates to be used for institutional support services for approved research projects in addition to funding the projects themselves. The committee adopted amendments to provide that the application fee for "Conquer Cancer" license plates be \$50, the standard application fee for special license plates, and the renewal fee be the \$10 standard renewal fee for special license plates. The standard fee eases the administration of the special license plate program. The committee also adopted clarifying amendments with respect to the costs incurred in relation to the special license plates. The committee amendments also delay the effective date of the bill to the first day of the seventh month following enactment to allow the division sufficient time to prepare the issuance of the special license plates. Finally, the committee amendments provide that the director may discontinue issuance of the special license plates should the program not recoup the division's costs for two consecutive fiscal years.

Technical review was performed on this prefiled bill, as required under Joint Rule 18A of the Senate and General Assembly.

SENATE LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

[Second Reprint]

ASSEMBLY, No. 1139

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 3, 1997

The Senate Law and Public Safety Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 1139 (2R).

This bill permits the issuance of special "Conquer Cancer" license plates to raise funds to assist the New Jersey State Commission on Cancer Research in its efforts to find new methods of treating and preventing cancer through its approved research projects at qualifying research institutions throughout the State.

The special plates would bear the slogan "Conquer Cancer" and may include a distinctive emblem, designed by the Commissioner of Health and approved by the Director of Motor Vehicles. Motorists who wish to obtain the special plates would be required to pay a \$50 application fee and a \$10 annual renewal fee. A portion of the revenues raised would be used to reimburse the Division of Motor Vehicles and the Department of Health for their costs. The fees would be deposited into the Cancer Research Fund, from which monies are appropriated for research projects.

Any monetary donation made available to the State to support this license plate program would be deposited in the Cancer Research Fund and used in the same manner as monies collected from fees for the special plates.

The Director of Motor Vehicles may discontinue issuance of the special license plates if the average cost of the special plates exceeds the application fee in two consecutive fiscal years.

This bill is identical to Senate Bill No. 727, which was amended and released by the committee on this date.

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE TO

[First Reprint]

ASSEMBLY, No. 1139

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 25, 1996

Assembly Bill No. 1139 (1R) of 1996 permits the Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to issue special "Conquer Cancer" license plates. The director would be authorized to charge an initial application fee of \$50 and a \$10 renewal fee which shall be in addition to all fees otherwise prescribed by law. After reimbursing DMV for expenses associated with plate issuance, the remaining application and renewal fee revenues would be deposited into the Cancer Research Fund, established in the Department of Health pursuant to section 5 of P.L.1982, c.40 (C.54:40A-37.1). In turn, the monies in the fund would be used by the New Jersey State Commission on Cancer Research for approved research projects as defined in section 3 of P.L.1983, c.6 (C.52:9U-3).

In estimates for previous bills authorizing the issuance of special license plates, DMV estimated total fixed costs to be about \$41,000, for reprogramming agency and revenue automated systems, and for one-time die costs. Variable costs would be about \$8 for the issuance of each set of special plates. However, since DMV is generally unable to estimate public interest in new, special license plates, it does not project revenues.

The Office of Legislative Services (OLS) concurs with previous DMV cost estimates for the issuance of new, special license plates. However, as a possible reference range for potential revenues, OLS would note that DMV has estimated that FY 1996 revenues from special plates for animal welfare would provide about \$433,000, plates for wildlife conservation would provide about \$236,000, and plates for shore conservation would provide about \$899,000.

The 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.

STATEMENT TO

[First Reprint]

ASSEMBLY, No. 1139

with Assembly Floor Amendments
(Proposed By Assemblywoman Murphy)

ADOPTED: DECEMBER 12, 1996

This bill permits the issuance of special "Conquer Cancer" license plates to raise funds to assist the New Jersey State Commission on Cancer Research in its efforts to find new methods of treating and preventing cancer through its approved research projects at qualifying research institutions throughout the State. These floor amendments provide that any monetary donation made available to the State to support the "Conquer Cancer" license plate program would be deposited in the Cancer Research Fund and used in the same manner as monies collected from fees for "Conquer Cancer" license plates.
