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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 1992 SESSION

By Senator LYNCH

1	AN ACT concerning the identification of lessees of motor
2	vehicles, amending R.S.39:1–1 and R.S.39:3–4.
3 4	BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the
5	State of New Jersey:
6	1. R.S.39:1-1 is amended to read as follows:
7	39:1–1. ² Words and phrases defined ²
8	As used in this subtitle, unless other meaning is clearly
9	apparent from the language or context or unless inconsistent with
10	the manifest intention of the Legislature:
11	"Alley" means a public highway wherein the roadway does not
12	exceed 12 feet in width.
13	"Authorized emergency vehicles" means vehicles of the fire
14	department, police vehicles and such ambulances and other
15	vehicles as are approved by the Director of the Division of Motor
16	Vehicles in the Department of Law and Public Safety when
17 18	operated in response to an emergency call. "Automobile" includes all motor vehicles except motorcycles.
19	"Berm" means that portion of the highway exclusive of
20	roadway and shoulder, bordering the shoulder but not to be used
20	for vehicular travel.
22	"Business district" means that portion of a highway and the
23	territory contiguous thereto, where within any 600 feet along
24	such highway there are buildings in use for business or industrial
25	purposes, including but not limited to hotels, banks, office
26	buildings, railroad stations, and public buildings which occupy at
27	least 300 feet of frontage on one side or 300 feet collectively on
28	both sides of the roadway.
29	"Carpool" means two or more persons commuting on a daily
30	basis to and from work by means of a vehicle with a seating
31	capacity of nine passengers or less.
32	"Commercial motor vehicle" includes every type of
33	motor-driven vehicle used for commercial purposes on the
34 35	highways, such as the transportation of goods, wares and merchandise, excepting such vehicles as are run only upon rails or
35 36	tracks and vehicles of the passenger car type used for touring
37	purposes or the carrying of farm products and milk, as the case
38	may be.
39	"Commissioner" means the Director of the Division of Motor
40	Vehicles in the Department of Law and Public Safety of this
41	State.
42	"Commuter van" means a motor vehicle having a seating
43	capacity of not less than 2 [eight] seven 2 nor more than 15 adult
	EXPLANATIONMatter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.
	Matter underlined <u>thus</u> is new matter. Matter enclosed in supersurist, umerals has been adopted as follows: 2 Senate floor amentments adopted May 14, 1992.

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passengers. in which ²[eight] <u>seven</u>² or more persons commute on a daily basis to and from work and which vehicle may also be operated by the driver or other designated persons for their personal use. "Crosswalk" means that part of a highway at an intersection included within the connections of the lateral lines of the

6 included within the connections of the lateral lines of the 7 sidewalks on opposite sides of the highway measured from the 8 curbs or, in the absence of curbs, from the edges of the shoulder 9 or, if none, from the edges of the roadway; also, any portion of a 10 highway at an intersection or elsewhere distinctly indicated for 11 pedestrian crossing by lines or other marking on the surface.

"Dealer" includes every person actively engaged in the business
of buying, selling or exchanging motor vehicles or motorcycles
and who has an established place of business.

"Department" means the Division of Motor Vehicles in the
Department of Law and Public Safety of this State acting
directly or through its duly authorized officers or agents.

18 "Deputy commissioner" means deputy director of the Division19 of Motor Vehicles in the Department of Law and Public Safety.

"Deputy director" means deputy director of the Division of
Motor Vehicles in the Department of Law and Public Safety.

22 "Director" means the Director of the Division of Motor23 Vehicles in the Department of Law and Public Safety.

"Division" means the Division of Motor Vehicles in the
Department of Law and Public Safety acting directly or through
its duly authorized officers or agents.

"Driver" means the rider or driver of a horse, bicycle or
motorcycle or the driver or operator of a motor vehicle, unless
otherwise specified.

30 "Explosives" means any chemical compound or mechanical 31 mixture that is commonly used or intended for the purpose of 32 producing an explosion and which contains any oxidizing and 33 combustive units or other ingredients in such proportions. quantities or packing that an ignition by fire, friction, by 34 35 concussion, by percussion, or by detonator of any part of the 36 compound or mixture may cause such a sudden generation of highly heated gases that the resultant gaseous pressures are 37 38 capable of producing destructive effects on contiguous objects or of destroying life or limb. 39

40 "Farm tractor" means every motor vehicle designed and used
41 primarily as a farm implement for drawing plows, mowing
42 machines, and other implements of husbandry.

43 "Flammable liquid" means any liquid having a flash point below
 44 ²[200"] <u>200°</u>² Fahrenheit, and a vapor pressure not exceeding 40
 45 pounds.

46 "Gross weight" means the combined weight of a vehicle and a47 load thereon.

² High occupancy vehicle or ³["HOV] "HOV"³ means a
vehicle which is used to transport two or more persons and shall
include public transportation, car pool, and other vehicles as
determined by regulation of the Department of Transportation.²

52 "Highway" means the entire width between the boundary lines
53 of every way publicly maintained when any part thereof is open
54 to the use of the public for purposes of vehicular travel.

"Horse" includes mules and all other domestic animals used as draught animals or beasts of burden.

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3 "Inside lane" means the lane nearest the center line of the 4 roadway.

5 "Intersection" means the area embraced within the 6 prolongation of the lateral curb lines or, if none, the lateral 7 boundary lines of two or more highways which join one another at 8 an angle, whether or not one such highway crosses another.

9 "Laned roadway" means a roadway which is divided into two or10 more clearly marked lanes for vehicular traffic.

<u>"Leased motor vehicle" means any motor vehicle subject to</u>
 registration in this State which:

a. Is offered for rental or lease, without a driver, to be
 operated by the lessee, his agent or servant, for purposes other
 than the transportation of passengers for hire; and

16 <u>b. Is leased or rented for a period of one year or more</u>
 17 following registration.

18 "Limited-access highway" means every highway, street, or 19 roadway in respect to which owners or occupants of abutting 20 lands and other persons have no legal right of access to or from 21 the same except at such points only and in such manner as may be 22 determined by the public authority having jurisdiction over such 23 highway, street, or roadway; and includes any highway designated 24 as a "freeway" or "parkway" by authority of law.

"Local authorities" means every county, municipal and other
local board or body having authority to adopt local police
regulations under the Constitution and laws of this State,
including every county ³[board of chosen freeholders] governing
body³ with relation to county roads.

"Magistrate" means any municipal court and the Superior
Court, and any officer having the powers of a committing
magistrate and the Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles in
the Department of Law and Public Safety.

34 "Manufacturer" means a person engaged in the business of
35 manufacturing or assembling motor vehicles, who will, under
36 normal business conditions during the year, manufacture or
37 assemble at least 10 new motor vehicles.

38 "Metal tire" means every tire the surface of which in contact
39 with the highway is wholly or partly of metal or other hard
40 nonresilient material.

"Motorized bicycle" means a pedal bicycle having a helper motor characterized in that either the maximum piston displacement is less than 50 cc. or said motor is rated at no more than 1.5 brake horsepower and said bicycle is capable of a maximum speed of no more than 25 miles per hour on a flat surface.

⁴⁷ "Motorcycle" includes motorcycles, motor bikes, bicycles with ⁴⁸ motor attached and all motor-operated vehicles of the bicycle or ⁴⁹ ${}^{3}[{}^{2},{}^{2}]^{3}$ tricycle type, except motorized bicycles as defined in this ⁵⁰ section ${}^{2},{}^{2}$ whether the motive power be a part thereof or ⁵¹ attached thereto and having a saddle or seat with driver sitting ⁵² astride or upon it or a platform on which the driver stands.

53 "Motor-drawn vehicle" includes trailers. semitrailers, or any 54 other type of vehicle drawn by a motor-driven vehicle. "Motor vehicle" includes all vehicles propelled otherwise than by muscular power, excepting such vehicles as run only upon rails or tracks and motorized bicycles.

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"Noncommercial truck" means every motor vehicle designed primarily for transportation of property, and which is not a "commercial vehicle."

"Official traffic control devices" means all signs, signals,
markings, and devices not inconsistent with this subtitle placed or
erected by authority of a public body or official having
jurisdiction for the purpose of regulating, warning, or guiding
traffic.

12 "Omnibus" includes all motor vehicles used for the transportation of passengers for hire, except commuter vans and 13 14 vehicles used in ridesharing arrangements and school buses, if the same are not otherwise used in the transportation of passengers 15 16 for hire.

17 "Operator" means a person who is in actual physical control of18 a vehicle or street car.

"Outside lane" means the lane nearest the curb or outer edgeof the roadway.

21 "Owner" means a person who holds the legal title of a vehicle, 22 or if a vehicle is the subject of an agreement for the conditional 23 sale or lease thereof with the right of purchase upon performance of the conditions stated in the agreement and with an immediate 2425 right of possession vested in the conditional vendee or lessee, or if a mortgagor of a vehicle is entitled to possession, then the 26 27 conditional vendee, lessee or mortgagor shall be deemed the owner for the purpose of this subtitle. 28

"Parking" means the standing or waiting on a street, road or
highway of a vehicle not actually ²[,]² engaged in receiving or
discharging passengers or merchandise, unless in obedience to
traffic regulations or traffic signs or signals.

"Passenger automobile" means all automobiles used and
designed for the transportation of passengers, other than
omnibuses and school buses.

"Pedestrian" means a person afoot.

37 "Person" includes natural persons, firms, copartnerships,38 associations, and corporations.

39 "Pneumatic tire" means every tire in which compressed air is40 designed to support the load.

⁴¹ "Pole trailer" means every vehicle without motive power ⁴² designed to be drawn by another vehicle and attached to the ⁴³ towing vehicle by means of a reach, or pole, or by being boomed ⁴⁴ or otherwise secured to the towing vehicle, and ordinarily used ⁴⁵ for transporting long or irregularly shaped loads, such as poles, ⁴⁶ pipes, or structural members capable, generally, of sustaining ⁴⁷ themselves as beams between the supporting connections.

48 "Private road or driveway" means every road or driveway not
49 open to the use of the public for purposes of vehicular travel.

"Railroad train" means a steam engine, electric or other
motor, with or without cars coupled thereto, operated upon rails.
except street cars.

53 "Residence district" means that portion of a highway and the 54 territory contiguous thereto, not comprising a business district, where within any 600 feet along such highway there are buildings
in use for business or residential purposes which occupy 300 feet
or more of frontage on at least one side of the highway.

"Ridesharing" means the transportation of persons in a motor
vehicle, with a maximum carrying capacity of not more than 15
passengers, including the driver, where such transportation is
incidental to the purpose of the driver. The term shall include
such ridesharing arrangements known as carpools and vanpools.

9 "Right-of-way" means the privilege of the immediate use of10 the highway.

"Road tractor" means every motor vehicle designed and used
for drawing other vehicles and not so constructed as to carry any
load thereon either independently or any part of the weight of a
vehicle or load so drawn.

15 "Roadway" means that portion of a highway improved, 16 designed, or ordinarily used for vehicular travel, exclusive of the 17 berm or shoulder. In the event a highway includes two or more 18 separate roadways the term "roadway" as used herein shall refer 19 to any such roadway separately, but not to all such roadways, 20 collectively.

"Safety zone" means the area or space officially set aside
within a highway for the exclusive use of pedestrians, which is so
plainly marked or indicated by proper signs as to be plainly visible
at all times while set apart as a safety zone.

"School bus" means every motor vehicle operated by, or under 25 contract with, a public or governmental agency, or religious or 26 other charitable organization or corporation, or privately 27 operated for compensation for the transportation of children to 28 29 or from school for secular or religious education which complies with the regulations of the Department of Education affecting 30 31 school buses including "School Vehicle Type I" and "School Vehicle Type II" as defined below: 32

33 "School Vehicle Type I" means any vehicle with a seating 34 capacity of 17 or more, used to transport enrolled children, and 35 adults only when serving as chaperones, to or from a school, 36 school connected activity, day camp, summer day camp, nursery 37 school, child care center, preschool center or other similar places of education. Such vehicle shall comply with the regulations of 38 the Division of Motor Vehicles and either the Department of 39 40 Education or the Department of Human Services whichever is the appropriate supervising agency. 41

42 "School Vehicle Type II" means any vehicle with a seating capacity of 16 or less, used to transport enrolled children, and 43 adults only when serving as chaperones, to or from a school, 44 school connected activity, day camp, summer day camp, nursery 45 school. child care center, preschool center or other similar places 46 47 of education. Such vehicle shall comply with the regulations of 48 the Division of Motor Vehicle and either the Department of 49 Education or the Department of Human Services whichever is the appropriate supervising agency. 50

51 "School zone" means that portion of a highway which is either 52 contiguous to territory occupied by a school building or is where 53 school crossings are established in the vicinity of a school, upon 54 which are maintained appropriate "school signs" in accordance with specifications adopted by the director and in accordance
 with law.

3 "School crossing" means that portion of a highway where 4 school children are required to cross the highway in the vicinity 5 of a school.

6 "Semitrailer" means every vehicle with or without motive 7 power, other than a pole trailer, designed for carrying persons or 8 property and for being drawn by a motor vehicle and so 9 constructed that some part of its weight and that of its load rests 10 upon or is carried by another vehicle.

³<u>"Shipper" means any person who shall deliver, or cause to be</u> 11 delivered, any commodity, produce or article for transportation 12 13 as the contents or load of a commercial motor vehicle. In the case of a sealed ocean container, "shipper" shall not be construed 14 15 to include any person whose activities with respect to the shipment are limited to the solicitation or negotiation of the sale, 16 resale, or exchange of the commodity, produce or article within 17 that container.³ 18

"Shoulder" means that portion of the highway, exclusive of and
bordering the roadway, designed for emergency use but not
ordinarily to be used for vehicular travel.

"Sidewalk" means that portion of a highway intended for the use of pedestrians, between the curb line or the lateral line of a shoulder, or if none, the lateral line of the roadway, and the adjacent right-of-way line.

26 "Sign." See "Official traffic control devices."

27 "Slow-moving vehicle" means a vehicle run at a speed less than28 the maximum speed then and there permissible.

"Solid tire" means every tire of rubber or other resilient
material which does not depend upon compressed air for the
support of the load.

32 "Street" means the same as highway.

"Street car" means a car other than a railroad train, for
transporting persons or property and operated upon rails
principally within a municipality.

36 "Stop," when required, means complete cessation from37 movement.

"Stopping or standing," when prohibited, means any cessation
of movement of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, except when
necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance
with the directions of a police officer or traffic control sign or
signal.

"Through highway" means every highway or portion thereof at
the entrances to which vehicular traffic from intersecting
highways is required by law to stop before entering or crossing
the same and when stop signs are erected as provided in this
chapter.

48 "Trackless trolley" means every motor vehicle which is
49 propelled by electric power obtained from overhead trolley wires
50 but not operated upon rails.

51 "Traffic" means pedestrians, ridden or herded animals,
52 vehicles, street cars, and other conveyances either singly, or
53 together, while using any highway for purposes of travel.

54 "Traffic control signal" means a device, whether manually,

electrically, mechanically, or otherwise controlled, by which
 traffic is alternately directed to stop and to proceed.

3 "Trailer" means every vehicle with or without motive power, 4 other than a pole trailer, designed for carrying persons or 5 property and for being drawn by a motor vehicle so constructed 6 that no part of its weight rests upon the towing vehicle.

7 "Truck" means every motor vehicle designed, used, or8 maintained primarily for the transportation of property.

9 "Truck tractor" means every motor vehicle designed and used 10 primarily ²[,]² for drawing other vehicles and not so constructed 11 as to carry a load other than a part of the weight of the vehicle 12 and load so drawn.

²["Van-pooling"] <u>"Vanpooling"</u>² means ²[eight] <u>seven</u>² or more
 persons commuting on a daily basis to and from work by means of
 a vehicle with a seating arrangement designed to carry ²[eight]
 <u>seven</u>² to 15 adult passengers.

"Vehicle" means every device in, upon or by which a person or
property is or may be transported upon a highway, excepting
devices moved by human power or used exclusively upon
stationary rails or tracks or motorized bicycles.

21 (cf: P.L.1993, c.12, s.1)

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2. R.S.39:3-4 is amended to read as follows:

39:3-4. Except as hereinafter provided, every resident of this
State and every nonresident whose automobile or motorcycle
shall be driven in this State shall, before using such vehicle on the
public highways, register the same, and no automobile or
motorcycle shall be driven unless so registered.

28 Such registration shall be made in the following manner: An 29 application in writing, signed by the applicant or by an agent or officer, in case the applicant is a corporation, shall be made to 30 31 the director or his lawful agent, on forms prepared and supplied 32 by the director, containing the name, street address of the 33 residence or the business of the owner, mailing address, if 34 different from the street address of the owner's residence or 35 business, and age of the owner, together with a description of the character of the automobile or motorcycle, including the name of 36 the maker and the manufacturer's number or the motor number, 37 or both, and any other statement that may be required by the 38 director. A post office box shall appear on the application only 39 40 as part of a mailing address that is submitted by the owner, agent or officer, as the case may be, in addition to the street address of 41 the applicant's residence or business. An owner whose last 42 address appears on the records of the division as a post office box 43 shall change his address on his application for renewal to the 44 street address of his residence or business and, if different from 45 his street address, his mailing address. If the vehicle is insured 46 by motor vehicle liability insurance, as required by law, the 47 application shall contain the name of the insurer of said vehicle 48 49 and the policy number. If the vehicle is 1 [to be used as] 1 a leased 50 motor vehicle, the application shall make note of that fact and shall include along with the name and street address of the lessor 51 the name, street address and driver license number of the lessee. 52 53 ¹<u>A lessor of a leased motor vehicle shall notify the director in</u>

53 <u>A lessor of a leased motor venicle shall notify the director in</u> 54 <u>writing, on such form as the director may prescribe, of the</u> termination of a lease or of a change of the lessee within seven
 days after the termination or change.¹

Thereupon the director shall have the power to grant a registration certificate to the owner of any motor vehicle, if over years of age, application for the registration having been properly made and the fee therefor paid, and the vehicle being of a type that complies with the requirements of this subtitle. The form and contents of the registration certificate to be issued shall be prescribed by the director.

10 If the vehicle is ¹[to be used as]¹ a leased ¹motor¹ vehicle, the 11 registration certificate shall¹, in addition to containing the name 12 and street address of the lessor, ¹ identify the vehicle as a leased 13 motor vehicle ¹[and shall include along with the name and street 14 address of the lessor the driver license number of the lessee]¹.

The director shall maintain a record of all registrationcertificates issued, and of the contents thereof.

Every registration shall expire and the certificate thereof 17 become void on the last day of the twelfth calendar month 18 following the calendar month in which the certificate was issued; 19 20 provided, however, that the director may, at his discretion and 21 for good cause shown, require registrations which shall expire, 22 and issue certificates thereof which shall become void, on a date fixed by him, which date shall not be sooner than three months 23 nor later than 16 months after the date of issuance of such 24certificates, and the fees for such registrations shall be fixed by 25the director in amounts proportionately less or greater than the 26 27 fees established in this Title.

All motorcycles for which registrations have been issued prior 28 to the effective date of P.L.1989, c.167 and which are scheduled 29 to expire between November 1 and March 31 shall, upon renewal, 30 be issued registrations by the director which shall expire on a 31 date fixed by him, but in no case shall that expiration date be 32 earlier than April 30 nor later than October 31. The fees for the 33 renewal of the motorcycle registrations authorized under this 34 paragraph shall be fixed by the director in an amount 35 proportionately less or greater than the fee established by 36 R.S.39:3-21. 37

38 The director shall issue registration certificates for the 39 following registration period on and after the first day of the 40 calendar month immediately preceding the commencement of 41 such registration period, such registration certificates to be 42 effective immediately.

43 Application forms for all renewals of registrations for 44 passenger automobiles shall be mailed by the director from the 45 central office of the division to the last addresses of owners of 46 motor vehicles and motorcycles, as they appear on the records of 47 the division.

48 No person owning or having control over any unregistered
49 motor vehicle shall permit the same to be parked or to stand on a
50 public highway.

51 Any police officer is authorized to remove any such 52 unregistered vehicle from the public highway to a storage space 53 or garage, the expense involved in such removal and storing of 54 said motor vehicle to be borne by the owner of such vehicle. S124 [3R] 9

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 subject to a fine not exceeding \$100.00, except that for the misstatement of any fact in the application required to be made to the director, the person making such statement or omitting the statement that the motor vehicle is to be used as a leased motor vehicle when that is the case shall be subject to the penalties provided in R.S.39:3-37. Nothing in this section shall be construed to alter or extend the expiration date of any registration certificate issued prior to March 1, 1956. The Division of Motor Vehicles shall make a reasonable effort to notify any lessor whose name and address is on file with the division, or any other lessor the division may determine it is necessary to notify, of the requirements of this amendatory act. (cf: P.L.1989, c.326, s.1) This act shall take effect on the first day of the 18th month following enactment and shall apply only to registration certificates or renewals of such certificates applied for and issued after the effective date. 	1	Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be
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STATEMENT

This bill requires that the registration of a motor vehicle 2 leased or rented for one year or more contain the name and 3 street address of the lessor and the driver license number of the 4 5 lessee. This information is intended to aid police in the immediate 6 7 identification of the driver of a leased vehicle who has violated a traffic law or has committed a crime. Presently, it may be 8 9 difficult for a law enforcement officer to obtain the name of the lessee if the lessor's premises are closed or the lessor refuses to 10 provide this identifying information. 11 12 13 14

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ASSEMBLY COMMERCE AND REGULATED PROFESSIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: OCTOBER 1, 1992

The Assembly Commerce and Regulated Professions Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 124(1R), with committee amendments.

As amended, this bill requires that the registration certificate of a motor vehicle leased or rented for more than one year contain the name and street address of the lessor and identify the vehicle as a leased motor vehicle.

The bill also requires that a registration application for a leased motor vehicle indicate that the motor vehicle is leased, and include along with the name and address of the lessor, the name and address of the lessee, and the driver license number of the lessee. The bill requires a lessor of a leased motor vehicle to notify the Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles, in writing, of a termination of a lease or a change of the lessee within seven days of any such change or termination.

Additionally, the bill requires the Division of Motor Vehicles to make a reasonable effort to notify lessors of the bill's requirements.

The committee made technical amendments to the bill to include the most recent version of R.S. 39:1-1.

SENATE LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 124

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: APRIL 2, 1992

The Senate Law and Public Safety Committee favorably reports Senate Bill No. 124.

This bill requires that the registration of a motor vehicle leased or rented for one year or more contain the name and street address of the lessor and the driver license number of the lessee.

This information is intended to aid police in the immediate identification of the driver of a leased vehicle who has violated a traffic law or has committed a crime. Presently, it may be difficult for a law enforcement officer to obtain the name of the lessee if the lessor's premises are closed or the lessor refuses to provide this identifying information.

This bill was introduced in the 1992 legislative session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes changes required by technical review which has been performed.