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P.L. 2007, CHAPTER 262, *approved January 13, 2008*  
Senate, No. 317 (*First Reprint*)

1 AN ACT concerning the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship Commission  
2 and the Foundation for the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship, and  
3 amending, supplementing and repealing various parts of the  
4 statutory law.

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

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9 1. Section 1 of P.L.1995, c.252 (C.39:3-27.67) is amended to  
10 read as follows:

11 1. The **['Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles] Chief**  
12 Administrator of the Motor Vehicle Commission<sup>1</sup> shall, upon  
13 proper application therefor, issue Battleship U.S.S. New Jersey  
14 license plates for any motor vehicle owned or leased and registered  
15 in the State. In addition to the registration number and other  
16 markings of identification otherwise prescribed by law, the plate  
17 shall display a depiction of a battleship and wording which either  
18 recognizes the U.S.S. New Jersey's role in U.S. naval history or  
19 indicates support for the **['acquisition,']** restoration, and  
20 maintenance of the U.S.S. New Jersey. The wording, design and  
21 color scheme of the plate shall be chosen by the **['director] chief**  
22 administrator<sup>1</sup> **['**, in consultation with the U.S.S. New Jersey  
23 Battleship Commission].

24 (cf: P.L.1995, c.252, s.1)

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26 2. Section 3 of P.L.1995, c.252 (C.39:3-27.69) is amended to  
27 read as follows:

28 3. There is created in the Department of the Treasury a special  
29 non-lapsing fund to be known as the "Battleship New Jersey  
30 Memorial Fund." There shall be deposited into the fund the  
31 additional application and renewal fees collected pursuant to section  
32 2 of this act and any interest earned thereon, less the amounts  
33 necessary to reimburse the division for administrative costs  
34 pursuant to section 4 of this act. Monies deposited in the fund shall  
35 be **['dedicated for the acquisition,] annually appropriated to the**  
36 Home Port Alliance to support the<sup>1</sup> restoration **['and] and**<sup>1</sup>  
37 maintenance and operation<sup>1</sup> of the Battleship U.S.S. New Jersey  
38 **['by the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship Commission].**

39 (cf: P.L.1995, c.252, s.3)

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41 3. Section 5 of P.L.1995, c. 252 (C.39:3-27.71) is amended to

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

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

<sup>1</sup>Senate SLP committee amendments adopted December 17, 2007.

1 read as follows:

2 5. The director shall notify eligible motorists of the opportunity  
3 to obtain Battleship U.S.S. New Jersey license plates by including a  
4 notice with all motor vehicle registration renewals and by posting  
5 appropriate posters or signs in all division facilities and offices.  
6 The notices, posters, and signs shall be designed by the division[,  
7 after consultation with the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship  
8 Commission].

9 (cf: P.L.1995, c.252, s.5)

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11 4. Section 2 of P.L.1995, c.299 (C.54A:9-25.10) is amended to  
12 read as follows:

13 2. There is established in the Department of the Treasury a  
14 special fund to be known as the U.S.S. New Jersey Educational  
15 Museum Fund. The State Treasurer shall deposit into the fund net  
16 contributions collected pursuant to this act. All moneys deposited  
17 in the U.S.S. New Jersey Educational Museum Fund shall be  
18 annually appropriated[:

19 a. to the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship Commission to support  
20 the acquisition and relocation of the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship  
21 to New Jersey; and

22 b. after the relocation of the battleship to a permanent berth in  
23 New Jersey, to the Battleship New Jersey Foundation] 'to the  
24 Home Port Alliance' to support the maintenance and operation of  
25 the U.S.S. New Jersey as a memorial and museum. [The Chair of  
26 the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship Commission shall provide written  
27 notification to the State Treasurer when the U.S.S. New Jersey has  
28 been relocated and dedicated in New Jersey as a permanent  
29 memorial and museum.]

30 (cf: P.L.1998, c.153, s.6)

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32 '[5. (New section) All funds of the U.S.S. New Jersey  
33 Battleship Commission, established pursuant to P.L.1979, c.440  
34 (C.13:15A-1 et seq.), and the Foundation for the U.S.S. New Jersey  
35 Battleship, established pursuant to P.L.1997, c.45 (C.13:15A-10 et  
36 seq.), are transferred to the State Treasurer for deposit in a special  
37 dedicated account to be established in the General Fund. Moneys in  
38 the account shall be used exclusively to support the restoration,  
39 maintenance and operation of the U.S.S. New Jersey as a memorial  
40 and museum and shall be appropriated from time to time by the  
41 Legislature for those purposes.]'

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43 '5. (New section) All funds of the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship  
44 Commission, established pursuant to P.L.1979, c. 440 (C.13:15A-1  
45 et seq.) are transferred to the Home Port Alliance. All funds of the  
46 Foundation for the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship established  
47 pursuant to P.L.1997, c.45 (C.13:15A-10 et seq.) are transferred to

1 the Foundation for the Battleship New Jersey.<sup>1</sup>

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3 6. P.L.1979, c.440 (C.13:15A-1 et seq.) and P.L.1997, c.45  
4 (C.13:15A-10 et seq.) are repealed.

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6 7. This act shall take effect immediately.

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11 Abolishes battleship foundation and commission.

# SENATE, No. 317

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 212th LEGISLATURE

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2006 SESSION

**Sponsored by:**

**Senator FRED H. MADDEN, JR.**

**District 4 (Camden and Gloucester)**

**Senator WAYNE R. BRYANT**

**District 5 (Camden and Gloucester)**

**SYNOPSIS**

Abolishes battleship commission and foundation; transfers funds to special account.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel



1 AN ACT concerning the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship Commission  
2 and the Foundation for the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship, and  
3 amending, supplementing and repealing various parts of the  
4 statutory law.

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

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9 1. Section 1 of P.L.1995, c.252 (C.39:3-27.67) is amended to  
10 read as follows:

11 1. The Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles shall, upon  
12 proper application therefor, issue Battleship U.S.S. New Jersey  
13 license plates for any motor vehicle owned or leased and registered  
14 in the State. In addition to the registration number and other  
15 markings of identification otherwise prescribed by law, the plate  
16 shall display a depiction of a battleship and wording which either  
17 recognizes the U.S.S. New Jersey's role in U.S. naval history or  
18 indicates support for the acquisition, restoration, and maintenance  
19 of the U.S.S. New Jersey. The wording, design and color scheme of  
20 the plate shall be chosen by the director[, in consultation with the  
21 U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship Commission].

22 (cf: P.L.1995, c.252, s.1)

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24 2. Section 3 of P.L.1995, c.252 (C.39:3-27.69) is amended to  
25 read as follows:

26 3. There is created in the Department of the Treasury a special  
27 non-lapsing fund to be known as the "Battleship New Jersey  
28 Memorial Fund." There shall be deposited into the fund the  
29 additional application and renewal fees collected pursuant to section  
30 2 of this act and any interest earned thereon, less the amounts  
31 necessary to reimburse the division for administrative costs  
32 pursuant to section 4 of this act. Monies deposited in the fund shall  
33 be dedicated for the acquisition, restoration and maintenance of the  
34 Battleship U.S.S. New Jersey [by the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship  
35 Commission].

36 (cf: P.L.1995, c.252, s.3)

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38 3. Section 5 of P.L.1995, c. 252 (C.39:3-27.71) is amended to  
39 read as follows:

40 5. The director shall notify eligible motorists of the opportunity  
41 to obtain Battleship U.S.S. New Jersey license plates by including a  
42 notice with all motor vehicle registration renewals and by posting  
43 appropriate posters or signs in all division facilities and offices.

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- 1 The notices, posters, and signs shall be designed by the division[,



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1 after consultation with the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship  
2 Commission].

3 (cf: P.L.1995, c.252, s.5)

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5 4. Section 2 of P.L.1995, c.299 (C.54A:9-25.10) is amended to  
6 read as follows:

7 2. There is established in the Department of the Treasury a  
8 special fund to be known as the U.S.S. New Jersey Educational  
9 Museum Fund. The State Treasurer shall deposit into the fund net  
10 contributions collected pursuant to this act. All moneys deposited  
11 in the U.S.S. New Jersey Educational Museum Fund shall be  
12 annually appropriated[:

13 a. to the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship Commission to support  
14 the acquisition and relocation of the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship  
15 to New Jersey; and

16 b. after the relocation of the battleship to a permanent berth in  
17 New Jersey, to the Battleship New Jersey Foundation] to support  
18 the maintenance and operation of the U.S.S. New Jersey as a  
19 memorial and museum. [The Chair of the U.S.S. New Jersey  
20 Battleship Commission shall provide written notification to the  
21 State Treasurer when the U.S.S. New Jersey has been relocated and  
22 dedicated in New Jersey as a permanent memorial and museum.]

23 (cf: P.L.1998, c.153, s.6)

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25 5. (New section) All funds of the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship  
26 Commission, established pursuant to P.L.1979, c.440 (C.13:15A-1  
27 et seq.), and the Foundation for the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship,  
28 established pursuant to P.L.1997, c.45 (C.13:15A-10 et seq.), are  
29 transferred to the State Treasurer for deposit in a special dedicated  
30 account to be established in the General Fund. Moneys in the  
31 account shall be used exclusively to support the restoration,  
32 maintenance and operation of the U.S.S. New Jersey as a memorial  
33 and museum and shall be appropriated from time to time by the  
34 Legislature for those purposes.

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36 6. P.L.1979, c.440 (C.13:15A-1 et seq.) and P.L.1997, c.45  
37 (C.13:15A-10 et seq.) are repealed.

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39 7. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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44 This bill abolishes the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship Commission  
45 and the Foundation for the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship. All funds  
46 of the commission and the foundation are transferred to the State

**S317 MADDEN, BRYANT**

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1 Treasurer for deposit in a special dedicated account to support the  
2 restoration, maintenance and operation of the U.S.S. New Jersey as  
3 a memorial and museum. Because of the elimination of the  
4 commission and the foundation, references to them were removed  
5 from statutes establishing the "Battleship New Jersey Memorial  
6 Fund" (based upon issuance of a special license plate) and the  
7 "U.S.S. New Jersey Educational Museum Fund" (based upon a State  
8 income tax checkoff).

SENATE LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY AND VETERANS'  
AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 317**

with committee amendments

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: DECEMBER 17, 2007

The Senate Law and Public Safety and Veterans' Affairs Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Bill No. 317.

Senate Bill No. 317 abolishes the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship Commission and the Foundation for the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship. Because of the elimination of the commission and the foundation, references to them are removed from statutes establishing the "Battleship New Jersey Memorial Fund" (based upon issuance of a special license plate) and the "U.S.S. New Jersey Educational Museum Fund" (based upon a State income tax checkoff).

As amended, this bill clarifies that all funds of the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship Commission and the Battleship New Jersey Memorial Fund are to be transferred to the Home Port Alliance. Additionally, all funds of the Foundation for the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship are transferred to the Foundation for the Battleship New Jersey. Revenue generated under the "Battleship New Jersey Memorial Fund" (based upon issuance of a special license plate) and the "U.S.S. New Jersey Educational Museum Fund" (based upon a State income tax checkoff) is to be appropriated to the Home Port Alliance.

The committee amended the bill to:

(1) clarify that funding deposited in the U.S.S. New Jersey Educational Museum Fund is to be annually appropriated to the Home Port Alliance;

(2) clarify that all funds of the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship Commission and the Battleship New Jersey Memorial Fund are to be transferred to the Home Port Alliance, and that all funds of the Foundation for the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship are transferred to the Foundation for the Battleship New Jersey;

(3) eliminate the requirement that all funds of the commission and the foundation are to be transferred to the State Treasurer for deposit in a special dedicated account; and

(4) omit the term "acquisition" from the statutes establishing the issuance of the "Battleship U.S.S. New Jersey" license plate.

This bill was pre-filed for introduction in the 2006-2007 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review, which has been performed.

As amended and reported by the committee, this bill is identical to Assembly Bill No. 2538 (2R).

# ASSEMBLY, No. 2538

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 212th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 23, 2006

**Sponsored by:**

**Assemblyman DAVID R. MAYER**

**District 4 (Camden and Gloucester)**

**Assemblywoman NILSA CRUZ-PEREZ**

**District 5 (Camden and Gloucester)**

**Co-Sponsored by:**

**Assemblyman Moriarty**

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34 Legislature for those purposes.

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37 (C.13:15A-10 et seq.) are repealed.

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39 7. This act shall take effect immediately.

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#### STATEMENT

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**A2538 MAYER, CRUZ-PEREZ**

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7 "U.S.S. New Jersey Educational Museum Fund" (based upon a State  
8 income tax checkoff).



# ASSEMBLY LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO

### **ASSEMBLY, No. 2538**

with committee amendments

# **STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: DECEMBER 10, 2007

The Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 2538.

Assembly Bill No. 2538 abolishes the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship Commission and the Foundation for the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship. Because of the elimination of the commission and the foundation, references to them were removed from statutes establishing the "Battleship New Jersey Memorial Fund" (based upon issuance of a special license plate) and the "U.S.S. New Jersey Educational Museum Fund" (based upon a State income tax checkoff).

Under the amended bill, the term "acquisition" has also been removed from the statutes establishing the issuance of the "Battleship U.S.S. New Jersey" license plate since the ship has been acquired by the State since the enactment of the statute.

The amended bill clarifies that funding deposited in the U.S.S. New Jersey Educational Museum Fund is to be annually appropriated to the Home Port Alliance for the maintenance and operation of the Battleship New Jersey now sited at its permanent berth in New Jersey.

It is the committee's understanding that all revenue of the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship Commission would be transferred to the Home Port Alliance.

Finally, the committee amendments to the bill eliminate the provision requiring that all funds of the commission and the foundation are to be transferred to the State Treasurer for deposit in a special dedicated account.

#### COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amended the bill to:

(1) clarify that funding deposited in the U.S.S. New Jersey Educational Museum Fund is to be annually appropriated to the Home Port Alliance;

(2) eliminate the requirement that all funds of the commission and the foundation are to be transferred to the State Treasurer for deposit in a special dedicated account; and

(3) omit the term "acquisition" from the statutes establishing the issuance of the "Battleship U.S.S. New Jersey" license plate.

STATEMENT TO  
[First Reprint]  
**ASSEMBLY, No. 2538**

with Assembly Floor Amendments  
(Proposed By Assemblyman MAYER)

ADOPTED: DECEMBER 13, 2007

This bill abolishes the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship Commission and the Foundation for the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship. Because of the elimination of the commission and the foundation, references to them were removed from statutes establishing the "Battleship New Jersey Memorial Fund" (based upon issuance of a special license plate) and the "U.S.S. New Jersey Educational Museum Fund" (based upon a State income tax checkoff).

These Assembly amendments clarify that all funds of the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship Commission and the Battleship New Jersey Memorial Fund are to be transferred to the Home Port Alliance. Additionally, all funds of the Foundation for the U.S.S. New Jersey Battleship are transferred to the Foundation for the Battleship New Jersey.