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SYNOPSIS

Exempts persons with disabilities and persons who are homeless from payment of identification card fees.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 AN ACT concerning identification card fees and amending
2 P.L.1980, c.47.

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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. Section 6 of P.L.1980, c.47 (C.39:3-29.7) is amended to read
8 as follows:

9 6. a. The chief administrator shall charge fees as follows:

10 Standard Identification Card, Original	\$18
11 Identification Card, Duplicate	\$5
12 Identification Card, Renewal	\$18
13 REAL ID Identification Card	\$29
14 Digitized photograph	\$6, in addition to the
15 fees required above	

16 b. The chief administrator **【may】** shall waive the fees
17 established under subsection a. of this section for:

18 (1) a person who is homeless who submits proof of temporary
19 residence through a social worker or the coordinator of an
20 emergency shelter for the homeless where the person is temporarily
21 residing; and

22 (2) a person with disabilities who submits proof of disability, as
23 determined by the chief administrator in consultation with the
24 Division of Disability Determination Services, in a form prescribed
25 by the chief administrator.

26 On or before December 31 of each year, the commission shall
27 report to the Office of Homelessness Prevention in the Department
28 of Community Affairs an accounting of each instance in which the
29 commission provided a fee waiver pursuant to **【this section】**
30 paragraph (1) of this subsection.

31 For the purposes of this section, "person who is homeless" means
32 a person without a domicile who is unable to secure permanent and
33 stable housing as determined by a social worker or the coordinator
34 of an emergency shelter for the homeless established pursuant to
35 P.L.1985, c.48 (C.55:13C-1 et seq.).

36 c. The chief administrator may waive the fee imposed for a
37 duplicate identification card if the applicant, at the time of
38 application: is applying for a REAL ID identification card, as that
39 term is defined in R.S.39:1-1; currently holds a valid identification
40 card issued by the commission; and is not eligible to renew the
41 applicant's current identification card. The chief administrator's
42 authority to waive the duplicate identification card fee under this
43 subsection shall expire on October 1, 2020. In order to receive a
44 REAL ID identification card pursuant to this subsection, the

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.

1 applicant shall first surrender to the commission the applicant's
2 current identification card.
3 (cf: P.L.2019, c.271, s.18)
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5 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the thirteenth
6 month after enactment, but the Chief Administrator of the New
7 Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission may take such administrative
8 action in advance as shall be necessary for the implementation of
9 this act.
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12 STATEMENT
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14 This bill exempts persons with disabilities from the payment of
15 identification card fees. The person is required to provide proof of
16 disability, as determined by the Chief Administrator of the New
17 Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission in consultation with the Division
18 of Disability Determination Services, in a form prescribed by the
19 chief administrator. The bill requires, instead of permits, the chief
20 administrator to waive identification card fees for a person who is
21 homeless and who submits proof of temporary residence through a
22 social worker or the coordinator of an emergency shelter for the
23 homeless where the person is temporarily residing.