

ASSEMBLY, No. 484

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 1996 SESSION

By Assemblywoman VANDERVALK

1 AN ACT concerning special motor vehicle registration plates for  
2 volunteer members of the Office of Emergency Management and  
3 supplementing chapter 3 of Title 39 of the Revised Statutes.

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

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8 1. a. Upon application by a person who has been certified by the  
9 State Director of Emergency Management as a volunteer member of  
10 a county or municipal Office of Emergency Management, the Director  
11 of the Division of Motor Vehicles shall issue for the motor vehicle  
12 owned or leased by the applicant special vehicle registration plates  
13 bearing the words "Emergency Management." The plates shall also  
14 include the vehicle registration number and other markings or  
15 identification prescribed by law and may include an emergency  
16 management insignia of a design approved by the director, after  
17 consultation with State Director of Emergency Management. Only  
18 one set of special registration plates shall be issued to an applicant.  
19 The special plates shall be displayed only on the vehicle for which they  
20 were issued.

21 b. The special vehicle registration plates authorized by this section  
22 shall be issued upon proof satisfactory to the director that the  
23 applicant meets the qualifications specified in subsection a. of this  
24 section. A person who has been issued special vehicle registration  
25 plates under this section shall return the special plates when that  
26 person no longer meets these qualifications.

27 c. The fee for the motor vehicle registration plates issued under  
28 this section shall be \$25, in addition to the fees otherwise prescribed  
29 by law for the registration of motor vehicles.

30 d. A person who violates a provision of this section shall be fined  
31 \$50.

32 e. The director may adopt rules, pursuant to the "Administrative  
33 Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), governing the  
34 issuance and use of the special vehicle registration plates authorized  
35 by this section.

1       2. The director may retain from the fees collected pursuant to  
2 subsection c. of section 1 of this act such sums as are necessary to  
3 defray all the costs incurred by the division in the implementation of  
4 this act as certified by the director.

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6       3. This act shall take effect on the first day of the fourth month  
7 following enactment.

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STATEMENT

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12       This bill would authorize special motor vehicle registration plates  
13 for volunteer members of county and municipal Offices of Emergency  
14 Management.

15       A person who is certified by the State Director of Emergency  
16 Management as a volunteer member of a county or municipal Office  
17 of Emergency Management may apply for the special plates. The  
18 plates are to display the words "Emergency Management" and may  
19 include an emergency management insignia. The cost of the plates is  
20 \$25. This cost is in addition to the fees otherwise charged by the  
21 Division of Motor Vehicles for vehicle registration. Only one set of  
22 plates may be issued to an applicant and they must be displayed only  
23 on the vehicle for which they were issued. The special plates must be  
24 returned if the person no longer qualifies for them as a volunteer  
25 member of a local Office of Emergency Management.

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30 Authorizes special license plates for Offices of Emergency  
31 Management volunteers.