

ASSEMBLY, No. 849

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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By Assemblymen COTTRELL and MALONE

1 AN ACT concerning special vehicle registration plates for county
2 medical examiners and supplementing chapter 3 of Title 39 of the
3 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 county medical examiner or assistant
9 medical examiner appointed pursuant to N.J.S.40A:9-47 or
10 N.J.S.40A:9-48, the Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles shall
11 issue for the motor vehicle owned or leased by the applicant special
12 vehicle registration plates bearing the words "Medical Examiner." The
13 plates shall be of a design approved by the director and shall include
14 the vehicle registration number and other markings or identification
15 prescribed by law. Only one set of special registration plates shall be
16 issued to an applicant. The special plates shall be displayed only on
17 the vehicle for which they were issued.

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

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

27 d. A person who violates a provision of this section shall be fined
28 \$50.

29 e. The director may adopt rules and regulations pursuant to the
30 "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et
31 seq.), governing the issuance and use of the special vehicle registration
32 plates authorized by this section and providing for their return when
33 the applicant no longer meets the condition specified in subsection a.
34 of this section.

35 f. The director shall retain from the fees collected pursuant to

1 subsection c. this section such sums as are necessary to defray costs
2 incurred by the division in the implementation of this act as certified
3 by the director.

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5 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the third month after
6 enactment.

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STATEMENT

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11 This bill authorizes the Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles
12 in the Department of Law and Public Safety to issue special motor
13 vehicle registration plates to county medical examiners and assistant
14 medical examiners. The plates would bear the words "Medical
15 Examiner" in addition to the vehicle registration number and other
16 markings or identification required by law. The fee for the special
17 plates would be \$25, in addition to the fees otherwise prescribed by
18 law for the registration of motor vehicles. The special plates would be
19 of a design approved by the director.

20 The bill provides that the director would retain a portion of the fees
21 collected under the bill sufficient to defray the division's costs in
22 issuing the plates. The bill also provides that the special plates be
23 returned if the person no longer meets the bill's qualifications.

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28 Authorizes special license plates for county medical examiners.