

# ASSEMBLY, No. 1139

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## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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By Assemblywoman MURPHY and Assemblyman DeCROCE

1   AN ACT authorizing "Conquer Cancer" license plates and  
2   supplementing chapter 3 of Title 39 of the Revised Statutes.

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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. a. The Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles may issue for  
8   a motor vehicle owned or leased and registered in the State special  
9   license plates bearing, in addition to the registration number and other  
10   markings or identification otherwise prescribed by law, the slogan  
11   "Conquer Cancer." These plates may include an emblem, to be  
12   designed by the Commissioner of Health and approved by the Director  
13   of the Division of Motor Vehicles, indicating support for, or an  
14   interest in, finding new methods of treating and preventing cancer.

15       b. Application for issuance of a "Conquer Cancer" license plate  
16   shall be made to the director on such forms and in such manner as may  
17   be prescribed by the director. The director shall collect for each set  
18   of plates issued an application fee of \$40, and an annual renewal fee  
19   of \$12, in addition to the fees otherwise prescribed by law for the  
20   registration of motor vehicles.

21       c. Monies collected from all fees for "Conquer Cancer" license  
22   plates shall be deposited in the Cancer Research Fund, established in  
23   the Department of Health pursuant to section 5 of P.L.1982, c.40  
24   (C.54:40A-37.1). Interest or other income earned on monies  
25   deposited under this act into the Cancer Research Fund shall be  
26   credited to the fund for use as set forth in this section.

27       Funds shall be utilized by the State Commission on Cancer  
28   Research: (1) to reimburse the Division of Motor Vehicles for all  
29   costs incurred in producing, issuing, and publicizing the availability of  
30   "Conquer Cancer" license plates; (2) to reimburse the Department of  
31   Health for the design and printing of notices, posters and signs to be  
32   utilized by the Division of Motor Vehicles; and (3) for institutional  
33   support services for its approved research projects as defined in  
34   section 3 of P.L.1983, c.6 (C.52:9U-3).

35       d. The director shall annually certify to the Commissioner of Health

1 the average cost per license plate incurred in the immediately  
2 preceding year by the Division of Motor Vehicles in producing, issuing  
3 and publicizing the availability of "Conquer Cancer" license plates.  
4 The commissioner shall annually report the Department of Health's  
5 costs and the division's costs to the Office of Management and Budget.

6 e. The director shall notify eligible motorists of the opportunity to  
7 obtain "Conquer Cancer" license plates by including a notice with all  
8 motor vehicle registration renewals, and by posting appropriate  
9 posters or signs in all division facilities and offices, as may be provided  
10 by the Department of Health. The notices, posters and signs shall be  
11 designed by the Commissioner of Health after consulting with the  
12 State Commission on Cancer Research. The designs shall be subject  
13 to the approval of the director. The Department of Health shall supply  
14 the division with the notices, posters and signs to be circulated or  
15 posted by the division.

16 f. The Commissioner of Health, the Commission on Cancer  
17 Research, and the director shall develop and enter into an interagency  
18 memorandum of agreement setting forth the procedures to be followed  
19 by the Department Of Health, the commission and the division in  
20 carrying out their respective responsibilities under this act.

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22 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the fifth month after  
23 enactment; except the Commissioner of Health, the State Treasurer  
24 and the Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles may take such  
25 action in advance of the effective date as may be necessary for the  
26 timely implementation of this act.

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#### 29 STATEMENT

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31 This bill permits the issuance of special "Conquer Cancer" license  
32 plates to raise funds to assist the State Commission on Cancer  
33 Research in its efforts to find new methods of treating and preventing  
34 cancer through its approved research projects at qualifying research  
35 institutions throughout the State.

36 Motorists who wish the plates, which will bear the slogan "Conquer  
37 Cancer" and may have a distinctive emblem, would be required to pay  
38 a \$40 application fee and a \$12 annual renewal fee. A portion of the  
39 revenues raised would be used to reimburse the Division of Motor  
40 Vehicles and the Department of Health for their costs related to the  
41 new plates. The existing Cancer Research Fund, out of which monies  
42 are appropriated for research projects of the commission, will serve as  
43 the depository for these fees to be allocated to future projects.

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3 Establishes license plate to benefit cancer research.