

SENATE, No. 614

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 5, 1996

By Senator CIESLA

1 AN ACT establishing special license plates supporting education 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 may issue special license plates in support of
8 education for a motor vehicle owned or leased and registered in the
9 State. In addition to the registration number and other markings or
10 identification otherwise prescribed by law, the license plate shall
11 display words or an emblem indicating support for, or interest in,
12 education. The director shall choose the license plate design after
13 soliciting suggestions from the public on the design.

14 b. The director shall collect a \$50 application fee for the special
15 license plate in addition to the fees otherwise prescribed by law for
16 registration of a motor vehicle. The director shall collect annually,
17 subsequent to the year of issuance of the license plate, a \$10 fee for
18 the license plate in addition to the fees otherwise prescribed by law for
19 the registration of a motor vehicle.

20 c. Revenue raised from the additional fees for the special license
21 plates shall be distributed in accordance with a county-wide plan
22 developed under the guidance of the county superintendent of schools.
23 All school districts in the county shall have an opportunity to
24 participate in the development of the plan, and the plan shall have the
25 consensus support of the districts. The plan shall describe objectives
26 and activities and shall include a budget for use of the funds. The plan
27 shall be focused on the support of telecommunications infrastructure
28 and information technologies in the schools, with an emphasis on the
29 interconnections among school districts in the county. The plan shall
30 identify the district which will serve as the fiscal agent and host for the
31 plan, and the budget shall describe the recipients and uses of the funds.

32 d. The funds shall be distributed to support the county
33 telecommunications plan in the county where the applicant for the
34 license plate resides and shall not supplant any other State educational
35 funding source. In the event that small amounts of funds are
36 accumulated in any year, funds may be accumulated by a county for a
37 period not to exceed three years in order to ensure that sufficient funds

1 are available to support the county plan. The amount of funds
2 distributed to each county shall be determined after reimbursement of
3 the Division of Motor Vehicles for costs reasonably and actually
4 incurred in producing and issuing the plates.

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

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10 STATEMENT

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12 This bill authorizes the Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to issue
13 special license plates in support of education. The special plates
14 would contain markings indicating support for, or an interest in,
15 education. The application fee for the plates would be \$50, with an
16 additional \$10 fee for each annual renewal, in addition to the fees
17 otherwise prescribed by law for the registration of a motor vehicle.

18 Revenue raised from the additional fees would be distributed in
19 accordance with a county-wide plan, developed under the guidance of
20 the county superintendent, which would include objectives, activities
21 and a budget. All school districts in the county would have an
22 opportunity to participate in the development of the plan. The plan
23 would be focused on the support of telecommunications infrastructure
24 and information technologies in the schools, with an emphasis on the
25 interconnections among school districts in the county. The plan must
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