

SENATE, No. 727

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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By Senators MARTIN and MacINNES

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
36 the average cost per license plate incurred in the immediately
37 preceding year by the Division of Motor Vehicles in producing, issuing

1 and publicizing the availability of "Conquer Cancer" license plates.
2 The commissioner shall annually report the Department of Health's
3 costs and the division's costs to the Office of Management and Budget.

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

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

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

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STATEMENT

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

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

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45 Establishes license plate to benefit cancer research.