

SENATE, No. 1274

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED JUNE 3, 1996

By Senator INVERSO

1 AN ACT concerning special license plates and supplementing chapter
2 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. Upon application of an active member of the Ukrainian
8 American Veterans organization, as certified by that organization, the
9 director shall issue for a motor vehicle owned or leased by the member
10 distinctive registration plates. The plates shall bear the words
11 "Ukrainian American Veteran" and depict the emblem of the Ukrainian
12 American Veteran's organization, in addition to the registration
13 number and other markings or identification prescribed by law. The
14 fee for these plates shall be \$15 in addition to the fees otherwise
15 prescribed by law for the registration of motor vehicles.

16 b. The surviving spouse of a Ukrainian American veteran may
17 retain the special license plates obtained by the deceased spouse
18 pursuant to this section for display on a motor vehicle registered to the
19 surviving spouse.

20 c. The director may promulgate rules and regulations governing the
21 issuance and use of these license plates.

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23 2. This act shall become effective on the first day of the fifth month
24 after enactment.

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STATEMENT

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29 This bill permits active members of the Ukrainian American
30 Veterans (UAV) to obtain special license plates for their motor
31 vehicles at a cost of \$15 in addition to the fees otherwise prescribed
32 by law for the registration of motor vehicles. The plates would bear
33 the words "Ukrainian American Veteran" and the emblem of the
34 Ukrainian American Veteran's organization. The surviving spouse of
35 a member of the UAV would be permitted to retain the special license
36 plates obtained by the deceased spouse.

37 The UAV is a patriotic, volunteer organization composed of

1 honorably discharged veterans from the United States Armed Forces
2 who are of Ukrainian heritage. Ukrainian American veterans have
3 figured prominently in the history of New Jersey. These have included
4 Private Nicholas Minue of Cartaret, Congressional Medal of Honor
5 recipient; Colonel Theodore Kalakuka of Jersey City, first Ukrainian
6 American Graduate of West Point Military Academy and Major Myron
7 Diduryk of Jersey City, who gave his life in Vietnam.

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12 Establishes special license plate for Ukrainian American Veterans.