

SENATE, No. 1282

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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By Senators EWING and CAFIERO

1 AN ACT concerning motor vehicle registration plates for persons who  
2 served as members of the Legislature, supplementing chapter 3 of  
3 Title 39 of the Revised Statutes and amending P.L.1955, c.155.

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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. (New section) Upon the application of a former member of the  
9 New Jersey State Legislature, the director shall issue special  
10 registration plates for a motor vehicle owned or leased by the former  
11 member. In addition to the fees otherwise prescribed by law for the  
12 registration of motor vehicles, the director may establish a fee for the  
13 special plates sufficient to defray the cost of their production and  
14 distribution. The plates shall identify the holder as a "Senate-Former  
15 Member" or "General Assembly-Former Member" and shall contain the  
16 Shield of the State of New Jersey, in addition to the registration  
17 number and other markings or identification otherwise prescribed by  
18 law. The director shall design the special plates, subject to approval  
19 by the President of the Senate and Speaker of the General Assembly.  
20 The plates shall not be issued to any former legislator who has been  
21 convicted of any violation pursuant to section 3 of P.L.1959, c.56  
22 (C.39:3-33.5).

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24 2. Section 1 of P.L.1955, c.155 (C.52:2-3) is amended to read as  
25 follows:

26 1. The Governor of the State, the head of any principal executive  
27 department of the State, the members and former members of the  
28 Legislature of the State, the Justices of the Supreme Court, the judges  
29 of the Superior Court, the county prosecutors, sheriffs, the Secretary  
30 of the Senate, the Clerk of the General Assembly and members of the  
31 Congress of the United States and each of them, are authorized to use,  
32 exhibit and display the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, in whole

**EXPLANATION - Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and intended to be omitted in the law.**

**Matter underlined thus is new matter.**

1 or in part, including such use, exhibition and display on their motor  
2 vehicle license plates.

3 (cf: P.L.1991, c.191, s.1)

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5 3. This act shall take effect on the first day of the sixth month after  
6 enactment, except that the Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles  
7 may take such action in advance of the effective date as may be  
8 necessary for the timely implementation of this act.

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STATEMENT

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13 This bill would provide for the issuance of license plates for motor  
14 vehicles owned or leased by former members of the Legislature. The  
15 plates would identify the holder as a former member of either the  
16 Senate or the General Assembly and contain the Shield of the State of  
17 New Jersey. The Division of Motor Vehicles would design the plate  
18 and establish the fee to be charged for it in addition to fees now  
19 required for regular plates. Final design of the plates would be subject  
20 to approval by the President of the Senate and Speaker of the General  
21 Assembly.

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26 Provides for special license plates for former legislators.