

SENATE, No. 1560

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED OCTOBER 3, 1996

By Senators SINGER and KOSCO

1 AN ACT concerning special license plates and amending P.L.1992,  
2 c.154.

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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. Section 1 of P.L.1992, c.154 (C.39:3-27.45) is amended to read  
8 as follows:

9 1. a. Upon application of any person who is the holder of a Silver  
10 Star medal as certified on the applicant's DD-214 form or on a  
11 Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty, the director  
12 shall issue, for the motor vehicle owned or leased by the person,  
13 distinctive plates bearing a design approved by the director in addition  
14 to the registration number and other markings or identification  
15 prescribed by law. The plates shall bear the words "Silver Star" and  
16 depict the Silver Star emblem. There shall be no cost to the applicant  
17 for these special plates other than the fees otherwise prescribed by law  
18 for the registration of motor vehicles.

19 b. The surviving spouse of a former holder of the Silver Star who  
20 is eligible to operate a motor vehicle in this State under the provision  
21 of R.S.39:3-10 may retain the special license plates obtained by the  
22 deceased spouse pursuant to this section for display on a motor vehicle  
23 registered to the surviving spouse under the provisions of R.S.39:3-4.

24 c. The director shall promulgate rules and regulations governing  
25 the issuance and use of these registration plates.

26 d. A person who is issued a Silver Star special plate may affix a  
27 silver star insignia which has been approved by the director to the  
28 license plate. The director shall promulgate rules and regulations  
29 governing the use, design, materials and placement of an insignia on  
30 the Silver Star special license plate.

31 (cf: P.L.1992, c.154, s.1)

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33 2. This act shall take effect 30 days after enactment.

**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.**

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STATEMENT

This bill would allow holders of the Silver Star special license plate to affix a silver star insignia to their license plates. The insignia would be in addition to the other markings required by law, and would be approved by the Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles in the Department of Transportation.

The Silver Star is a prestigious medal for gallantry in action, awarded by the armed forces of the United States. The silver star insignia affixed to the Silver Star special license plate highlights this achievement on holders' license plates.



Allows insignia upon Silver Star special license plate.