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Introduced by M. of A. BYRNE, ASHBY, BLANKENBUSH, BRABENEC, DeSTEFANO, J. M. GIGLIO, HAWLEY, MANKTELOW, McDONOUGH, MIKULIN, B. MILLER, M. MILLER, MORINELLO, RA, SALK, SCHMITT, SMITH, WALCZYK -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. BYRNES -- read once and referred to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to codifying distinctive plates for emergency medical technician paramedics and eliminating the annual service charge for such plates

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. The vehicle and traffic law is amended by adding a new
2 section 404-ff to read as follows:

3 § 404-ff. Distinctive plates for emergency medical technician paramed-
4 ics. 1. Any emergency medical technician paramedics residing in this
5 state shall, upon request, be issued a license plate bearing the word
6 "Paramedic". Application for said license plate shall be filed with the
7 commissioner in such form and detail as the commissioner shall
8 prescribe.

9 2. The distinctive plate authorized herein shall be issued upon proof,
10 satisfactory to the commissioner, that the applicant is an emergency
11 medical technician paramedic.

12 3. A distinctive plate issued pursuant to this section shall be issued
13 in the same manner as other number plates upon payment of the sixty
14 dollar registration fee, provided, however, that no annual service
15 charge shall be charged for such plate.

16 § 2. Distinctive plates issued prior to the effective date of this act
17 bearing the word "paramedic" shall be considered to have been issued
18 under section 404-ff of the vehicle and traffic law and all such plates
19 issued after the effective date of this act shall be issued with the
20 same issuance requirements, fees and service charges as a plate issued
21 under such section.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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1 § 3. 1. A distinctive plate established pursuant to section 404-ff of
2 the vehicle and traffic law shall only be designed, produced and issued
3 upon the delivery to the department of motor vehicles of a surety bond
4 in the amount of six thousand dollars, which shall be executed by a
5 surety company authorized by the department of financial services to
6 transact business in this state. Provided, however, that if the commis-
7 sioner of motor vehicles shall have received prior to plate design,
8 production and issuance at least two hundred orders for such distinctive
9 plate together with the additional annual service charge applicable to
10 each such order, which shall be non-refundable, no such surety bond
11 shall be required. All service charges collected pursuant to this
12 section shall be deposited pursuant to the provisions of section 404-oo
13 of the vehicle and traffic law to the credit of the department of motor
14 vehicles distinctive plate development fund established by section 95-g
15 of the state finance law and shall be used for the design, production,
16 advertising and distribution of distinctive license plates in accordance
17 with such section 95-g.

18 2. If, upon the expiration of two years following the date upon which
19 distinctive plates in the series are first available for sale two
20 hundred or more sets of such plates are sold, a bond delivered pursuant
21 to this section shall be discontinued. If fewer than two hundred sets of
22 such plates are sold by such time, the department of motor vehicles
23 shall be entitled to recover against the bond in an amount proportionate
24 to such shortfall.

25 § 4. This act shall take effect immediately.