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Introduced by M. of A. BARCLAY, HAWLEY, BRABENEC, J. M. GIGLIO -- read once and referred to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to eliminating additional fees for special license plates issued to veterans

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

1 Section 1. Subdivisions 1 and 1-a of section 404 of the vehicle and
2 traffic law, subdivision 1 as amended by section 21 of part G of chapter
3 59 of the laws of 2009 and subdivision 1-a as amended by chapter 105 of
4 the laws of 2017, are amended to read as follows:

5 1. The commissioner may issue special number plates to applicants
6 therefor in the same manner as other number plates are issued pursuant
7 to this article. Such special number plates shall be issued only upon
8 payment of an annual service charge of thirty-one dollars and twenty-
9 five cents in addition to the regular fee prescribed by section four
10 hundred one of this article. Application for special number plates shall
11 be made in accordance with regulations promulgated by the commissioner
12 with respect to issuance of such number plates. Provided, however, in
13 lieu of the annual fee specified herein, the commissioner may establish
14 specific categories of plates for which an annual fee of not less than
15 eighteen dollars and seventy-five cents nor more than thirty-one dollars
16 and twenty-five cents may be charged subject to the approval of the
17 director of the division of the budget. Notwithstanding any inconsis-
18 tent provision of this section, the difference collected between the
19 special plates fee or service charge set forth in this subdivision in
20 effect on and after September first, two thousand nine and the special
21 plates fee or service charge set forth in this subdivision in effect
22 prior to such date shall be deposited to the credit of the dedicated
23 highway and bridge trust fund. Notwithstanding any other provision of
24 this subdivision or any other provision of law, any registration and
25 special number plates issued to a person as a result of such person's

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

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service in a branch of the armed forces of the United States shall be accompanied only by the required fee otherwise required to be paid for vehicle registration.

1-a. The commissioner may issue special number plates to applicants who are members of veterans organizations in the same manner as other number plates are issued pursuant to this article. Such special number plates shall be issued only upon ~~[(a) payment of a one-time service charge of ten dollars in addition to the regular registration fee prescribed by section four hundred one of this article, and (b)]~~ submission of proof, satisfactory to the commissioner, that the applicant is presently a member of the veterans organization for which such plate is requested. Such membership shall be verified annually by the applicant. Application for such plates shall be made in accordance with regulations promulgated by the commissioner with respect to the issuance of such plates. Provided, however, that nothing contained herein shall be deemed to supersede the provisions of section four hundred four-d, four hundred four-e, four hundred four-h, four hundred four-i, four hundred four-j, four hundred four-k, four hundred four-p, four hundred four-aa, or four hundred four-dd of this article.

§ 2. Subdivision 3 of section 404-h of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by chapter 415 of the laws of 2001, is amended to read as follows:

3. A distinctive plate issued pursuant to this section shall be issued in the same manner as other number plates upon payment of the regular registration fee prescribed by section four hundred one of this article ~~[provided, however, that an additional one-time service charge of ten dollars shall be charged for such plate]~~.

§ 3. Subdivision 4 of section 404-j of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by chapter 415 of the laws of 2001, is amended to read as follows:

4. Fee. A special plate and registration issued pursuant to this section shall be issued upon payment of the regular registration fee prescribed by section four hundred one of this article ~~[provided, however, that an additional one-time service charge of ten dollars shall be charged for such plate]~~.

§ 4. Subdivision 3 of section 404-w of the vehicle and traffic law, as added by chapter 105 of the laws of 2005, is amended to read as follows:

3. A distinctive plate issued pursuant to this section shall be issued in the same manner as other number plates upon payment of the regular registration fee prescribed by section four hundred one of this article ~~[, provided, however, that an additional one-time service charge of ten dollars shall be charged for such plate]~~.

§ 5. Subdivision 4 of section 404-w of the vehicle and traffic law, as added by chapter 493 of the laws of 2005, is amended to read as follows:

4. A distinctive plate issued pursuant to this section shall be issued in the same manner as other number plates upon payment of the regular registration fee prescribed by section four hundred one of this article ~~[provided, however, that an additional one-time service charge of ten dollars shall be charged for such plate]~~.

§ 6. Subdivision 3 of section 404-k of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by chapter 415 of the laws of 2001, is amended to read as follows:

3. A distinctive plate issued pursuant to this section shall be issued in the same manner as other number plates upon payment of the regular registration fee prescribed by section four hundred one of this article

1 ~~[provided, however, that an additional one-time service charge of ten~~
2 ~~dollars shall be charged for such plate]~~.

3 § 7. Subdivision 3 of section 404-v of the vehicle and traffic law, as
4 amended by chapter 490 of the laws of 2019, is amended to read as
5 follows:

6 3. A distinctive plate issued pursuant to this section shall be issued
7 in the same manner as other number plates upon payment of the regular
8 registration fee prescribed by section four hundred one of this arti-
9 cle~~[, provided, however, that an additional one-time service charge of~~
10 ~~ten dollars shall be charged for such plate]~~. Provided, however, that
11 one year after the effective date of this section funds in the amount of
12 five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be available, shall be
13 allocated from such funds to the department to offset costs associated
14 with the production of such license plates.

15 § 8. Subdivision 4 of section 404-y of the vehicle and traffic law, as
16 added by chapter 107 of the laws of 2017, is amended to read as follows:

17 4. A distinctive plate issued pursuant to this section shall be issued
18 in the same manner as other number plates upon payment of the regular
19 registration fee prescribed by section four hundred one of this article
20 ~~[provided, however, that an additional one-time service charge of ten~~
21 ~~dollars shall be charged for such plate]~~.

22 § 9. Subdivision 3 of section 404-y of the vehicle and traffic law, as
23 added by chapter 232 of the laws of 2017, is amended to read as follows:

24 3. A distinctive plate issued pursuant to this section shall be issued
25 in the same manner as other number plates upon payment of the regular
26 registration fee prescribed by section four hundred one of this arti-
27 cle~~[, provided, however, that an additional, one-time service charge of~~
28 ~~ten dollars shall be charged for such plate]~~.

29 § 10. Subdivision 3 of section 404-aa of the vehicle and traffic law,
30 as added by chapter 103 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as
31 follows:

32 3. A distinctive plate issued pursuant to this section shall be issued
33 in the same manner as other number plates upon payment of the regular
34 registration fee prescribed by section four hundred one of this arti-
35 cle~~[, provided, however, that an additional one-time service charge of~~
36 ~~ten dollars shall be charged for such plate]~~.

37 § 11. Subdivision 3 of section 404-dd of the vehicle and traffic law,
38 as added by chapter 105 of the laws of 2017, is amended to read as
39 follows:

40 3. A distinctive plate issued pursuant to this section shall be issued
41 in the same manner as other number plates upon payment of the regular
42 registration fee prescribed by section four hundred one of this arti-
43 cle~~[, provided, however, that an additional one-time service charge of~~
44 ~~ten dollars shall be charged for such plate]~~.

45 § 12. This act shall take effect immediately.