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2011-2012 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. DeFRANCISCO -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to establishing a "kids deserve justice" distinctive license plate; and to amend the state finance law, in relation to establishing the kids deserve justice distinctive plates fund

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-x to read as follows:

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- S 404-X. DISTINCTIVE "KIDS DESERVE JUSTICE" LICENSE PLATES. 1. ANY PERSON RESIDING IN THIS STATE SHALL UPON REQUEST BE ISSUED A DISTINCTIVE LICENSE PLATE BEARING THE WORDS "KIDS DESERVE JUSTICE". APPLICATION FOR SAID LICENSE PLATES SHALL BE FILED WITH THE COMMISSIONER IN SUCH FORM AND DETAIL AS THE COMMISSIONER SHALL PRESCRIBE.
- ANY DISTINCTIVE PLATES ISSUED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL BE ISSUED IN THE SAME MANNER AS OTHER NUMBER PLATES UPON THE PAYMENT OF THE REGULAR REGISTRATION FEE PRESCRIBED BY SECTION FOUR HUNDRED ONE OF HOWEVER, THAT AN ADDITIONAL ANNUAL SERVICE CHARGE OF PROVIDED, TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS SHALL BE CHARGED FOR SUCH PLATES. TWENTY DOLLARS EACH SUCH TWENTY-FIVE DOLLAR ANNUAL SERVICE CHARGE SHALL BE DEPOSITED TO CREDIT OF THE "KIDS DESERVE JUSTICE DISTINCTIVE PLATES FUND" ESTAB-LISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION NINETY-FIVE-H OF THE STATE FINANCE SHALL GO TO THE NEW YORK BAR FOUNDATION FOR COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES (CASA) PROGRAMS. PROVIDED, HOWEVER THAT ONE YEAR AFTER DATE OF THIS SECTION, FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF SEVEN THOUSAND EFFECTIVE FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS, OR SO MUCH THEREOF AS MAY BE AVAILABLE, SHALL ALLOCATED TO THE DEPARTMENT TO OFFSET COSTS ASSOCIATED ${ t WITH}$ THE PRODUCTION OF SUCH LICENSE PLATES.
- 22 S 2. The state finance law is amended by adding a new section 95-h to 23 read as follows:

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

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S 95-H. KIDS DESERVE JUSTICE DISTINCTIVE PLATES FUND. 1. THERE IS HEREBY ESTABLISHED IN THE JOINT CUSTODY OF THE COMMISSIONER OF TAXATION AND FINANCE AND THE COMPTROLLER, A SPECIAL FUND TO BE KNOWN AS THE "KIDS DESERVE JUSTICE DISTINCTIVE PLATES FUND".

- 2. SUCH FUND SHALL CONSIST OF ALL REVENUES RECEIVED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION FOUR HUNDRED FOUR-X OF THE VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC LAW AND ALL OTHER MONEYS APPROPRIATED, CREDITED, OR TRANSFERRED THERETO FROM ANY OTHER FUND OR SOURCE PURSUANT TO LAW. NOTHING CONTAINED IN THIS SECTION SHALL PREVENT THE STATE FROM RECEIVING GRANTS, GIFTS OR BEQUESTS FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE FUND AS DEFINED IN THIS SECTION AND DEPOSITING THEM INTO THE FUND ACCORDING TO LAW.
- 3. MONIES OF THE FUND SHALL BE EXPENDED ONLY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE NEW YORK BAR FOUNDATION FOR COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES (CASA) PROGRAMS.
- 4. MONIES SHALL BE PAYABLE FROM THE FUND ON THE AUDIT AND WARRANT OF THE COMPTROLLER ON VOUCHERS APPROVED AND CERTIFIED BY THE OFFICE OF COURT ADMINISTRATION.
- 18 5. TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, THE OFFICE OF COURT ADMINISTRATION SHALL 19 ENSURE THAT ALL MONIES RECEIVED DURING A FISCAL YEAR ARE EXPENDED PRIOR 20 TO THE END OF THAT FISCAL YEAR.
- 21 S 3. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after 22 it shall have become a law; provided, however, that any rules and regu-23 lations necessary to implement the provisions of this act on its effec-24 tive date shall be promulgated on or before such date.