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Introduced by M. of A. STEVENSON -- read once and referred to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to exempting certain persons from paying fees charged for certain distinctive plates

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 404-e of the vehicle and traffic law is amended by adding a new subdivision 4 to read as follows:

4. NOTWITHSTANDING SUBDIVISION THREE OF THIS SECTION AND THE FEES PRESCRIBED OR PERMITTED BY SECTION FOUR HUNDRED ONE OF THIS ARTICLE, THERE SHALL BE NO CHARGE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A NUMBER PLATE PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION TO A PURPLE HEART RECIPIENT NOR SHALL THERE BE IMPOSED AN ADDITIONAL SERVICE CHARGE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH A PLATE TO SUCH A PERSON. FURTHERMORE, UPON THE ISSUANCE OF A DISTINCTIVE PLATE PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION, SUCH A PURPLE HEART RECIPIENT SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM THE PAYMENT OF ANY FEES RELATING TO THE REGISTRATION OR RENEWAL THEREOF AS PRESCRIBED BY SECTION FOUR HUNDRED ONE OF THIS ARTICLE.

S 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] NO additional [one-time service charge of ten dollars] CHARGES shall be charged for such plate.

S 3. Subdivision 4 of section 404-j of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by chapter 415 of the laws of 2001 and such section as renumbered by chapter 108 of the laws of 1994, 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] NO additional [one-time service charge of ten dollars] CHARGES shall be charged for such plate.

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

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S 4. Subdivision 3 of section 404-k of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by chapter 415 of the laws of 2001 and such section as renumbered by chapter 108 of the laws of 1994, 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] NO additional [one-time] service [charge of ten dollars] CHARGES shall be charged for such plate.

S 5. 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 of this article, provided, however, that [an] NO additional [one-time] service [charge of ten dollars] CHARGES shall be charged for such plate.

S 6. 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] NO additional [one time] service [charge of ten dollars] CHARGES shall be charged for such plate.

S 7. Subdivision 3 of section 404-v of the vehicle and traffic law, as added by chapter 389 of the laws of 2004, 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] NO additional [one-time] service [charge of ten dollars] CHARGES shall be charged for such plate. Provided, however, that one year after the effective date of this section funds in the amount of five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be available, shall be allocated from such funds to the department to offset costs associated with the production of such license plates.

S 8. This act shall take effect immediately.