STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

February 6, 2017

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

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to the registration of vessels and historic, antique and classic designations

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

Section 1. Subdivision 3 of section 2251 of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by section 5 of part G of chapter 59 of the laws of 2009, is amended and a new subdivision 10 is added to read as follows:

3. Fees. The triennial fee for registration of a vessel shall be: twenty-two dollars and fifty cents and a vessel surcharge of three dollars and seventy-five cents, if less than sixteen feet in length; forty-five dollars and a vessel surcharge of twelve dollars and fifty cents, if sixteen feet or over but less than twenty-six feet in length; seventy-five dollars and a vessel surcharge of eighteen dollars and seventy-five cents, if twenty-six feet or over. **There shall be an additional vessel surcharge of twenty dollars for all vessels that have a historic, antique or classic designation.** All funds derived from the collection of the vessel access surcharge pursuant to this subdivision are to be deposited in a subaccount of the "I love NY waterways" vessel access account established pursuant to section ninety-seven-nn of the state finance law. The vessel access surcharge shall not be considered a registration fee for purposes of section seventy-nine-b of the navigation law.

Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of this section, the difference collected between the fees set forth in this subdivision in effect on and after September first, two thousand nine and the fees set forth in this subdivision prior to such date shall be deposited to the credit of the dedicated highway and bridge trust fund. Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of this section, the difference collected between the vessel surcharge set forth in this subdivision in effect on and

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after September first, two thousand nine and the vessel surcharge set forth in this subdivision in effect prior to such date shall be deposited to the credit of the dedicated highway and bridge trust fund.

10. Historic, antique or classic designation. The owner of each vessel requesting a historic, antique or classic designation shall present an application for said designation to the commissioner, or an agent designated by the commissioner, on a form to be prepared and furnished by the commissioner for that purpose. Such application shall contain or be accompanied by such evidence of the age of the vessel described in the application as may be required by the commissioner. For the purposes of this section the designation of "historic" shall include boats built prior to nineteen hundred nineteen, "antique" shall include boats built between nineteen hundred nineteen and nineteen hundred forty-two, and "classic" shall include boats built between nineteen hundred forty-three and nineteen hundred sixty-eight. If an application for a historic, antique or classic designation is approved, said vessel shall be issued a registration number that includes the year of the boat and a designation sticker as prescribed by the commissioner.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.