

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. CUSICK, ORTIZ -- read once and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to authorizing distinctive license plates for recipients of the conspicuous service cross

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-y to read as follows:

3 § 404-y. Distinctive plates for conspicuous service cross recipients.

4 1. Any conspicuous service cross recipient residing in this state or the
5 spouse of any such recipient shall, upon request, be issued a license
6 plate bearing the words "conspicuous service cross recipient". If a
7 distinctive plate is issued to a conspicuous service cross recipient
8 pursuant to this section, such a distinctive plate shall not be issued
9 to the spouse of such conspicuous service cross recipient. Application
10 for said license plate shall be filed with the commissioner in such form
11 and detail as the commissioner shall prescribe.

12 2. The distinctive plate authorized in subdivision one of this section
13 shall be issued upon proof, satisfactory to the commissioner, that the
14 applicant or the spouse of the applicant is a conspicuous service cross
15 recipient.

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

21 § 2. 1. A distinctive plate established pursuant to section 404-y of
22 the vehicle and traffic law as added by section one of this act shall
23 only be designed, produced and issued upon the delivery to the depart-

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

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

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

22 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, that
23 section one of this act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth
24 day after it shall have become a law; provided, further, however, that
25 effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule
26 or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its effec-
27 tive date are authorized and directed to be made and completed on or
28 before such effective date.