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Introduced by Sen. THOMAS -- 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 "I Support Music Education" distinctive plates

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

Section 1. The vehicle and traffic law is amended by adding a new
section 404-ff to read as follows:
§ 404-ff. Distinctive "I Support Music Education" license plates. 1.

Any person residing in this state shall, upon request, be issued a distinctive license plate bearing the phrase "I Support Music Education". Application for said license plate shall be filed with the commissioner in such form and detail as the commissioner shall prescribe.

9 2. A distinctive plate issued pursuant to this section shall be issued 10 in the same manner as other number plates upon payment of the regular 11 registration fee prescribed by section four hundred one of this article; 12 provided, however, that an additional annual service charge of twenty-13 five dollars shall be charged for such plates.

14 <u>3. Each twenty-five dollars received as the annual service charge</u> 15 <u>under this section shall be donated to the New York Summer School for</u> 16 <u>the Arts.</u>

17 § 2. 1. A distinctive plate established pursuant to section 404-ff of 18 the vehicle and traffic law shall only be designed, produced and issued 19 upon the delivery to the department of motor vehicles of a surety bond 20 in the amount of six thousand dollars, which shall be executed by a 21 surety company authorized by the department of financial services to 22 transact business in this state. Provided, however, that if the commis-23 sioner of motor vehicles shall have received prior to plate design, 24 production and issuance at least two hundred orders for such distinctive

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

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1 plate together with the additional annual service charge applicable to 2 each such order, which shall be non-refundable, no such surety bond 3 shall be required. All service charges collected pursuant to this 4 section shall be deposited pursuant to the provisions of section 404-00 5 of the vehicle and traffic law.

6 2. If, upon the expiration of two years following the date upon which 7 distinctive plates in the series are first available for sale two 8 hundred or more sets of such plates are sold, a bond delivered pursuant 9 to this section shall be discontinued. If fewer than two hundred sets of 10 such plates are sold by such time, the department of motor vehicles 11 shall be entitled to recover against the bond in an amount proportionate 12 to such shortfall.

S 3. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, that section one of this act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and completed on or before such effective date.