

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

## IN ASSEMBLY

November 21, 2025

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

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to fees for non-driver identification cards

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 3 of section 491 of the vehicle and traffic  
2 law, as amended by section 2 of part Q of chapter 58 of the laws of  
3 2022, is amended to read as follows:

4 3. Waiver of fee. The commissioner [~~may~~] shall waive the payment of  
5 fees required by subdivision two of this section if the applicant [~~is~~]:

6 (a) is an incarcerated individual in an institution or correctional  
7 facility under the jurisdiction of a state department or agency[~~to~~];

8 (b) is a victim of a crime and the identification card applied for is  
9 a replacement for one that was lost or destroyed as a result of the  
10 crime; or

11 (c) has an income which is below two hundred percent of the federal  
12 poverty line. Such income shall be proven by providing one of the  
13 following:

14 (i) a filed federal or state tax return from the previous year;

15 (ii) a letter from an employer documenting the dates of work of the  
16 applicant and the yearly pay from the employer;

17 (iii) a W-2 annual wage statement or a federal tax form 1099 from the  
18 previous tax year; or

19 (iv) a wage notice provided pursuant to section one hundred ninety-  
20 five of the labor law that documents employment for a period of time  
21 within six months prior to the date the applicant certifies that they  
22 became eligible.

23 § 2. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall  
24 have become a law.

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

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