STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

April 1, 2026

Introduced by Sens. HINCHEY, BORRELLO -- 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 waiving the registration fee and service charge for distinctive plates for certain volunteer firefighters and certain members of volunteer ambulance services

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

Section 1. Subdivision 3 of section 404-b of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by chapter 277 of the laws of 1991, 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~~]. The registration fee prescribed by section four hundred one of this [~~chapter~~] article and [~~an~~] the initial one time service charge of fifteen dollars shall be waived for one set of plates for each such applicant upon proof, satisfactory to the commissioner, that the applicant has attended twenty-five percent or more of the emergency calls for the previous year.

§ 2. Subdivision 3 of section 404-f of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by chapter 277 of the laws of 1991, 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~~]. The registration fee prescribed by section four hundred one of this [~~chapter~~] article and [~~an~~] the additional annual service charge of fifteen dollars shall be waived for one set of plates for each such applicant upon proof, satisfactory to the commissioner, that the applicant has attended twenty-five percent or more of the emergency calls for the previous year.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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