*** § 404-u. Distinctive "Erie canal" license plates.** 1. Any person residing in this state shall, upon request, be issued a distinctive "Erie canal" license plate of a design approved by the commissioner. Application for said license plate shall be filed with the commissioner in such form and detail as the commissioner shall prescribe.

2. A distinctive "Erie canal" license plate issued pursuant to this section shall be issued in the same manner as other number plates upon payment of the regular registration fee prescribed by section four hundred one of this article and an additional annual service charge of twenty-five dollars. Twenty dollars from each twenty-five dollars received as annual service charges under this section shall be deposited to the credit of the Erie canal museum fund, established as a revolving fund pursuant to section ninety-seven-cccc of the state finance law. Provided, however, that one year after the effective date of this section, funds in the amount of five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be available, shall be allocated from such fund to the department to offset costs associated with the production of such license plates.

* NB There are 4 § 404-u's