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STATE OF ALASKA -- COMPONENT BUDGET ANALYSIS

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AGENCY: DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
CATEGORY: PUBLIC PROTECTION

PROGRAM: MOTOR VEHICLES
SUB-PROGRAM: ADMINISTRATION

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***** C. C. ANALYSIS ***** :

LEGISLATIVE INTENT:
IT IS THE INTENT OF THE LEGISLATURE THAT THE PERSONALIZED LICENSE PLATE PROGRAM BE CONTINUED.

***** SEN REV ANALYSIS *****

***** HOUSE ANALYSIS *****

THE HOUSE COLUMN RESTORES PROGRAM RECEIPTS BY \$29.6 AND REDUCES GF BY THE SAME AMOUNT.

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STATE OF ALASKA 1987 LEGISLATIVE SESSION
FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST: _____
 Revision Date: _____
 Title: An Act relating to motorcycle license plates.
 Sponsor: Sund
 Requestor: House Finance

Bill Version: CSHB 74 (Trans)
 Publish Date: _____

Agency Affected: Public Safety
 BRU: Motor Vehicles
 Components: Vehicle Services

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 87	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL		.8	.2	.2	.2	.2
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	-0-	.8	.2	.2	.2	.2
CAPITAL						
REVENUE		7.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND		.8	.2	.2	.2	.2
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL						

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

See page 2.

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3/4/87

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 Division: Motor Vehicles
 Approved by Commissioner: [Signature]
 Agency: Public Safety

Phone: 465-4335
 Date: 3-5-87
 Date: 3/5/87

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CONTINUATION of FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

For Bill Resolution No. CSHR 74 (Trans)

EXPENDITURES:

Contractual		
License Plates @ \$2.50 x 250		.6
Postage @ \$.76 x 250		<u>.2</u>
Total		.8

After the original impact of 250 personalized motorcycle license plates the first year, it is estimated there will be 50 such plates issued in FY89 and subsequent years.

REVENUES:

FY88 is based on issuance of 250 personalized motorcycle license plates at cost to owner of \$30 per plate.

FY89 and subsequent years based on issuance of 50 new personalized motorcycle license plates per year.

INFORMATION:

As a result of the FY88 budget decrement the Division of Motor Vehicles may discontinue issuing personalized license plates as of July 1, 1987.

It is realized there will be few requests for personalized motorcycle plates. However, if the position in the Special Programs Unit of DMV, which now issues personalized plates, is not funded in the operating budget it is the intent of the department to not issue any personalized license plates under AS 29.10.181(c), including motorcycles.

The department feels it would not be appropriate to request funding in this fiscal note for a part-time position so personalized plates could be issued only to motorcycle owners if we discontinue issuing such plates to the other classes of vehicles that are now eligible. It is also felt it would be inappropriate to request funding in this fiscal note to reestablish a position that may be deleted in the operating budget when the majority of the position's duties are not affected by this bill.

CONTINUATION of FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

For Bill/Resolution No. CSHB 74(Trans)am

EXPENDITURES:

Personal Services	
MVR III, Anchorage, incumbent, 10D	36.5
Contractual	
Motorcycle Plates @ \$2.50 x 250	.6
Postage @ \$.76 x 250	.2
Specialized Plates @ \$5.00 x 200	1.0
Postage @ \$1.76 x 200	.4
	<u>38.7</u>
TOTAL	38.7

After the original impact of 250 personalized motorcycle license plates and 200 specialized plates the first year, it is estimated there will be 50 motorcycle plates and 20 specialized plates issued in FY89 and subsequent years.

REVENUES:

Motorcycle Plates @ \$30 x 250	7.5
Specialized Plates @ (\$35 x 200)	(7.0)

FY88 is based on issuance of 250 personalized motorcycle license plates at the cost to owner of \$30 per plate. Revenue loss is based on registration fees that would not be collected on Specialized plates for 200 vehicles at \$35 per vehicle. An assumption is made the Pearl Harbor survivor plates would be no fee.

FY89 and subsequent years based on issuance of 50 new motorcycle license plates per year, \$1.5. Revenue loss would remain the same on the Specialized plates, (\$7.0), again assuming they will be no fee.

INFORMATION:

As a result of the FY88 budget decrement, the Division of Motor Vehicles plans to discontinue issuing personalized license plates as of July 1, 1987. The amendment adopted on the House floor changed the word "may" to "shall". Therefore, the division would be required to continue issuing these plates, and funding for the current position is included in this fiscal note.

It is realized there will be few requests for personalized motorcycle plates. However, if the position in the Special Programs Unit of DMV which now issues personalized plates is not funded, it was the intent of the department to not issue any personalized license plates under AS 28.10.181(c), including motorcycles. Since the House amendment mandates issuance of the plates, funding is requested to retain the position.

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FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST: _____

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Publish Date: _____

Revision Date: _____
Title: An Act relating to motor vehicle registration and license plates

Agency Affected: Public Safety
BRU: Motor Vehicles

Sponsor: Sund
Requestor: House Finance

Components: Field Services

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 87	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92
PERSONAL SERVICES		36.5	37.6	38.7	39.9	41.1
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL		2.2	.3	.3	.3	.3
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	-0-	38.7	37.9	39.0	40.2	41.4

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE		.5	(5.5)	(5.5)	(5.5)	(5.5)
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	-0-	38.7	37.9	39.0	40.2	41.4
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	-0-	38.7	37.9	39.0	40.2	41.4

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME		1	1	1	1	1
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

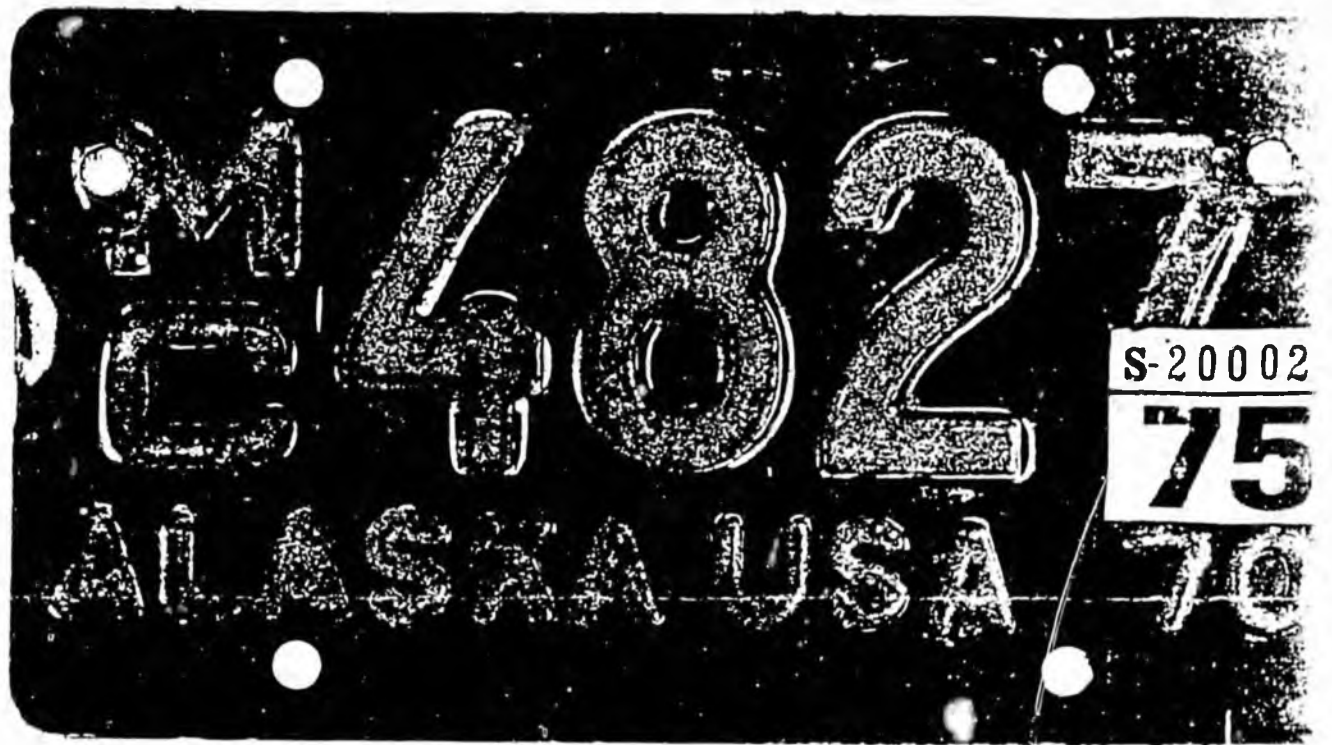
The current DMV Special Program Unit which issues personalized plates is not funded in the FY88 operating budget. Since the House amendment changed "may" to "shall", DMV will be required to continue to issue these plates and funding for the current position is included in this fiscal note.

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Approved by Commissioner: [Signature] Date: 4/2/87
Agency: Public Safety

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Dear Mike:

2 copies F.V.I.

17 States are now honoring Pearl Harbor Survivors with individual license plates.

Please!

Paul Faulken
State Chairman, Alaska

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Pearl Harbor from July 1987!

NEW SECTION ADDED TO BILL

Substitute Senate Bill No. 5136

State of Washington, 50th Legislature, 1987 Regular Session by Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Owen, Bender, Warnke, Conner, Stratton and Garrett)

Read first time 1/29/87.

AN ACT Relating to motor vehicle license plates; and adding a new section to chapter 46.16 RCW.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 46.16 RCW to read as follows:

(1) A resident of this state may, in addition to the application required by RCW 46.16.040, apply to the department for a set of license plates designed by the department to indicate that the recipient of the plates is a survivor of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor if he or she:

(a) Was a member of the United States Armed Forces on December 7, 1941;

(b) Was on station on December 7, 1941, during the hours of 7:55 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. Hawaii

tance not to exceed three miles;

(c) Received an honorable discharge from the United States Armed Forces; and

(d) Is certified by a Washington state chapter of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association as satisfying the qualifications in (b) of this subsection.

(2) The plates shall be issued upon payment of the regular license fee and furnishing of proof satisfactory to the department that the recipient fulfills the requirements provided by subsection (1) of this section. Only one motor vehicle owned by the applicant may be so licensed at any one time.

(3) If the license plates issued pursuant to this section are lost, stolen, or mutilated, the recipient of the plates shall be issued replacement plates upon request and without charge.

(4) The plate shall remain with the recipient upon transfer or other disposition of the vehicle, and may be used on another motor vehicle registered to the recipient in accordance with the provisions of RCW 46.16.595 for such transfers.

Signed by Gov
1420 Hrs. 14 April 1987
25 July 1987

1st Plane Shot Down

By Cpl. Steve Spanovich, 295576

Was this the first Japanese airplane to be shot down during the attack on Pearl Harbor and if so, who claimed the kill?

As I remember it, only a few people were witness to the crash of the Japanese airplane that was shot down and crashed onto the grounds of the U.S. Naval Hospital. It was shot down a few minutes after the attack began and could have been the first enemy aircraft destroyed on Dec. 7, 1941. As an eye witness to the incident, this is how it happened as I remember it.

I was a patient in "J" ward (one of the single-story wards across the street from the main hospital building). On the morning of Dec. 7, several of us "up" patients were sitting on the sunporch reading the Sunday newspaper and discussing the possibility of walking over to the slop-chute at the Marine barracks in the afternoon for a pitcher of beer.

As I was serving with the 1st Defense Battalion, I was looking forward to visiting with some of my friends. The "up" patients who planned to go with me were from the sub base.

We never bothered to look up from reading the newspaper when we heard the first airplane

coming in with what seem like a power dive. As the sound of the engine became louder and louder, and finally ended in a thunderous crash, one of the sub-sailors commented that the pilot didn't pull out of his dive and crashed into the ground near by. But, after the sounds of another airplane, followed by the sounds of another doing the same thing, someone made the remark that they all couldn't be crashing onto the ground in broad daylight. We decided to get up and go outside to see what was going on.

As we gathered in the street in front of the main hospital building, some doctors and nurses came out of the entrance to stand on the steps near the flag pole.

About this time, we heard the approach of a low-flying airplane and we all looked up in time to see an airplane with large red balls painted on the underside of its wings, and a large torpedo hanging from the underside of the airplane itself. The nose of the torpedo was painted bright red.

As the aircraft passed almost directly above our flag pole and continued over some palm trees in the direction of the inner har-

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State of Virginia Authorizes Distinctive Auto Plates for Survivors

Late this summer or early fall, survivors in Virginia can have their autos easily identified.

In December of 1986, Robert B. Ball, Sr., representing the County of Henrico in the Virginia House of Delegates pre-filed a bill (House Bill #876) amending the Code of Virginia to provide that the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles could issue "appropriately designed license plates identifying the vehicle as registered to a Pearl Harbor survivor." When the General Assembly convened on January 14, 1987, the bill was considered by the appropriate committees and on the floors of the House of Delegates and the Senate, passed both houses and was sent to the Governor. Signature by Governor Gerald Baliles on March 30, 1987, made the new law effective as of July 1, 1987.

The accompanying photograph shows the Governor affixing his signature in the presence of Delegate Ball and a representative delegation of PHSA members: (left to right) Max Green, Clark Martin, John Gunther and Brandon Perkins. The passage of the legislation was successful because of the support and efforts of the Virginia members in contacting their Delegates and Senators and urging their approval.

It is expected that the Com-

missioner of Motor Vehicles will approve the application process and the design of the license plate in June 1987 and the first plate will be issued in August. Effort is being made to have the PHSA logo appear on the plate, as authorized by the National Executive Board. The Division of Motor Vehicles has requested that applications be certified by the Virginia State Chairman; the language of the law replicates the qualifications for PHSA membership.

1987 SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 876

Offered January 14, 1987

Prefiled December 17, 1986

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 46.1-105.15, relating to special license plates for survivors of the attack on Pearl Harbor.

Patron-Ball

Referred to the Committee on Roads and Internal Navigation

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 46.1-105.15 as follows:

§ 46.1-105.15. Special license plates for survivors of the attack



on Pearl Harbor. — A. Upon receipt of an application on a form prescribed by the Commissioner and receipt of written evidence that the applicant is an honorably discharged former member of one of the armed forces of the United States and, while serving in the armed forces of the United States, was present during the attack on the island of Oahu, Territory of Hawaii, on December 7, 1941, between the hours of 7:55 a.m. and 9:45 a.m., Hawaii time, the

Commissioner shall such applicant appropriate designed license plates identifying the vehicle as registered to a Pearl Harbor survivor. Issuance of such licenses shall be limited to passenger vehicles and pickup trucks as defined in § 46.1-105.15.

B. The Commissioner shall charge ten dollars plus the prescribed cost of state license plates for each set of plates issued under the provisions of this section.

THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

*Pearl Harbor Gram
July, 1987!*

Senator

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I would like to ask your help in getting a bill amended and passed. Last year H.B. 74 was introduced; its purpose was to permit motorcycle owners to have custom or "vanity" license plates. The original bill allowed the motorcycle owner to have six characters (letters or numbers) for artistic expression. This is a reasonable number, as the current plates have six; indeed, Representative Menard of Wasilla remarked that even seven would be preferable.

The problem is that Bill Brown of DMV testified that the Department of Public Safety "recommended that the plates have four (characters)...because of their small size." (16 Feb 87, House Transportation Committee). On the same day, Representative Miller of North Pole rose to the bait, and made a motion that only four characters per plate be allowed. Committee Substitute H.B. 74 was thus created without the knowledge of, nor input from, the concerned public.

Let me argue the case for an amendment back to the original language permitting six characters per "vanity" plate.

First, please look at the enclosed Xerox of two plates: one is current, one is from 1970. Note that motorcycle plates have had six characters for the past seventeen years.

Second, four letters and numbers makes creativity difficult. Six would allow more artistic freedom, and would, therefore, be more in demand. To restrict the permutations would make the program less popular, and perhaps a money-loser rather than a money-maker for the State's coffers. (The Fiscal Note of 9 Feb 87

projects but a small net profit for the program).

Third, a restriction to only four characters means that duplication will be difficult to avoid; hence, a rider may be unable to get a desirable combination (such as HD74, an acronym for a popular bike, the Harley Davidson seventy-four cubic inch model).

Fourth, again, look at the Xerox of the 1987 plate. If six characters were used, then the fifth and sixth characters would replace the month&year stickers, and the miniscule $\frac{M}{K}$. The new letters or numbers need be no smaller than the current ones!

Fifth, the custom plate makes the motorcycle more recognizable. For example, my personal machine is an Italian make, a Ducati. The plate I want would say DUCATI ; instead of the random number gibberish, 8795 $\frac{M}{K}$. Ask yourself, which would be easier for a patrolman or witness to remember if I were to be seen leaving the scene of a crime, or, to be zapped with a radar gun? The answer is obvious.

As for the rest of the Bill, the Pearl Harbor Survivors plate, I have no objection.

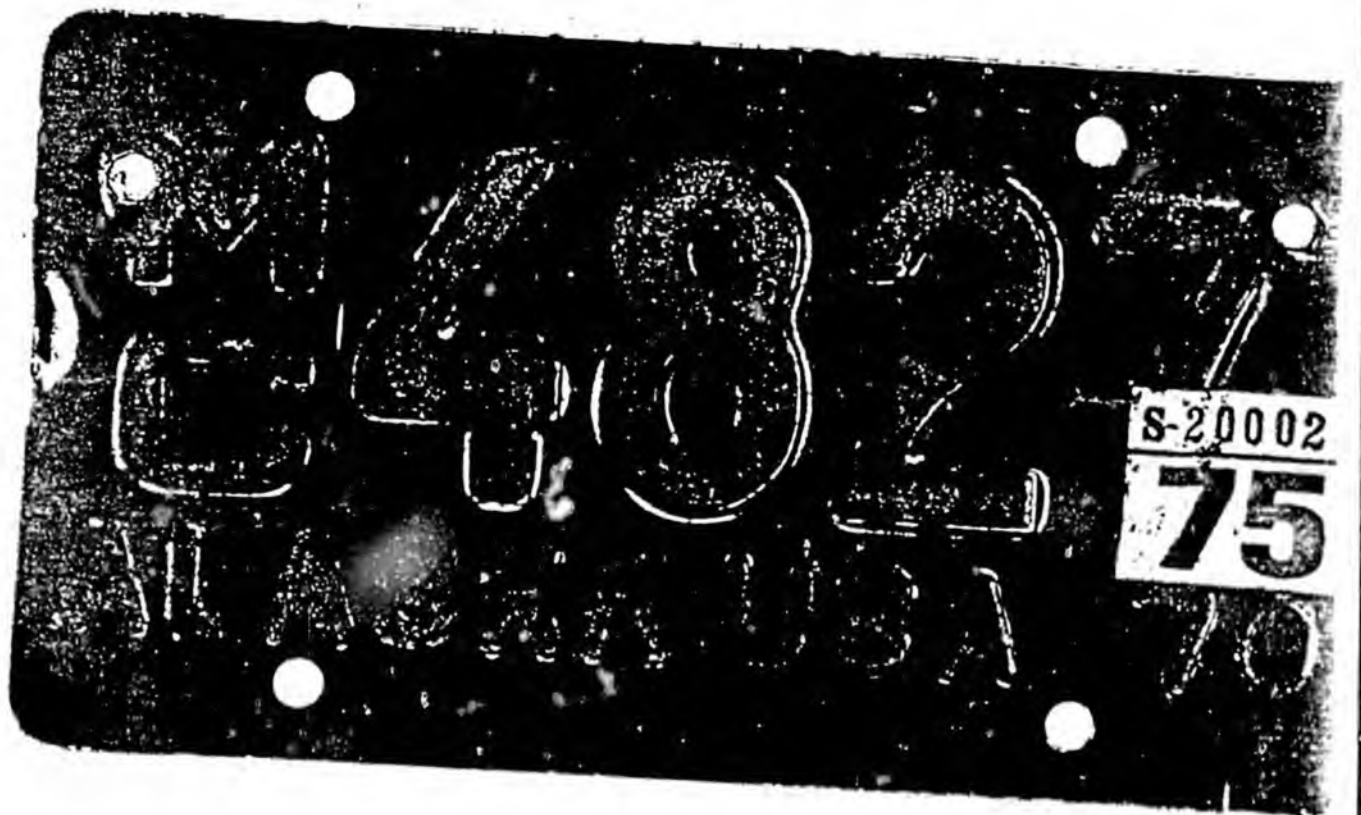
I thank you for your time and for your cooperation in this small matter.

Yours,

Paul Stoddard

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State Affairs Committee
Transportation Committee

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Senators,

I am writing you in regards to the Committee Substitute for House Bill #74, "An Act Relating to Motor Vehicle Registration and License Plates." These are the so-called "vanity plates."

The original bill called for a maximum of six letters (or numbers, in combination) on the plates. (Representative Martini suggested even seven digits.) The purpose of vanity plates is, obviously, to allow the citizen to "customize" his/her vehicle. The program of personalized plates is a break-even or near equal of revenue for the State, and, presents no enforcement check problem; re: testimony given by Mr. Brown of DMV, Home State Affairs Committee, 2 Feb 87.

My problem with CS HB 74 is this: the number of letters is now restricted to four. Mr. Brown (Chief of Drivers Services (?), Dept. of Public Safety, DMV) advocated only 4 letters on motorcycle plates "because of their small size." House Trans. Committee, 16 Feb 87. I am amazed that he could testify thusly, with a

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Paul Stead

Thanks for your time,

six, as proposed in the original bill.

community, the constituents directly impacted, want
four letters; please consider the motorcycle

one individual swayed the committee to substitute

without problems/duplication. The testimony of

six digits is to allow a degree of artistic freedom

1970, the number has been six. The reason for

from a collection). Since at least as far back as

the current one is from my Decat; the older one is

(Please look at the enclosed Xerox of my plates)

now have six letters & numbers in combination.

Straight face; Motorcycle plates in Alaska

