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SENATE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

BILL NUMBER SB 65

SPONSOR Malford

BILL TITLE Relating to motor vehicle license
plates for veterans.

DATE REFERRED 1-9-89

HEARING SCHEDULED 2-15-89

FISCAL NOTE PREPARED

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Senator Rick Halford

MEMORANDUM

To: Senator Pat Pourchot, Chairman
State Affairs Committee

From: Senator Rick Halford *Rick*

Date: February 12, 1989

Thank you for your prompt scheduling of Senate Bill 65, "An Act relating to vehicle license plates for veterans."

This bill allows veterans and retired veterans the opportunity to display distinctive license plates on their motor vehicles. It is a way in which the State of Alaska can honor veterans for the service they have given to our country.

Current law allows members of the Alaska National Guard the opportunity to request special plates. Senate Bill 65 extends that opportunity to individuals who are veterans or retired veterans of the armed forces of the United States.

I understand that the House Transportation Committee added a \$10 fee to a similar house bill in order to make the program pay for itself. This seems like a reasonable request in light of the state's declining revenues.

I urge your favorable consideration of this legislation.

SB 57. An Act relating to license plates for the organized militia and creating a militia support fund.

SB 57 would establish the Commander's Support Fund within the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs. The fund would be used to promote the morale, welfare, and recreational activities of members of the organized Alaska militia. The fund would consist of private contributions and legislative appropriations.

SB 57 contains intent language that the legislature appropriate to the Commander's Fund the proceeds from the sale of special militia license plates. Under current statute, these plates are available to members of the Alaska National Guard at a cost of \$30. To enhance license revenues, SB 57 would establish an additional \$10 annual registration fee for the militia plate and authorize its issuance to the Alaska Naval Militia and Alaska State Militia. The department would separately account for \$20 of the \$30 purchase cost of the plates in anticipation that these funds, along with the \$10 surcharge, would be appropriated to the Commander's Fund.

Although the authorization to issue special National Guard plates has been on the books since 1986, none have been issued.

SB 65. An Act relating to motor vehicle license plates for veterans.

SB 65 would require the Department of Public Safety to design and issue special license plates for veterans. There would be no special fee for the plate; annual registration fees would be as per current statute (\$35 for a car, \$40 for a truck, etc.).

In addition to "vanity" plates (\$30 once, plus annual fee), current statute provides for special license plates for Pearl Harbor survivors and former prisoners of war (\$0), members of the Alaska National Guard (\$30 once, plus annual fee), disabled veterans and other handicapped persons (\$0), motor vehicle dealers (\$45 annually), elected state officials (\$0), historic vehicles (\$10 once), consular officers of foreign governments (\$35 annually), amateur mobile radio station vehicles (\$0, plus annual fee), ranchers and farmers (\$35 annually), and Winter Olympics commemoration (\$70 once, plus annual fee). (SB 117 would add special University plates (\$50 once, plus annual fee).

BY HALFORD, FAIKS,
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1 IN THE SENATE

2 SENATE BILL NO. 65

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to motor vehicle license plates for
7 veterans."

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

9 * Section 1. AS 28.10.181 is amended by adding a new subsection to
10 read:

11 (o) Vehicles owned by veterans. The department, upon receipt of
12 written proof, shall issue special registration plates for one noncom-
13 mercial motor vehicle to a person who is a veteran or retired veteran
14 of the armed forces of the United States. The design and color of the
15 veteran or retired veteran plates shall be solely within the dis-
16 cretion of the commissioner.

17 * Sec. 2. AS 28.10.421(d) is amended to read:

18 (d) The special registration fees under this subsection are
19 imposed annually, unless otherwise specified, for:

20 (1) an historic vehicle (one time only upon initial regis-
21 tration under AS 28.10.181) \$10;

22 (2) special request plates including those authorized for
23 use by Alaska National Guard personnel only \$30;
24 plus the fee required for that vehicle under (b)(1) or (2) of this
25 section; the fee required by this paragraph shall be collected only on
26 the first issuance and on the replacement of special request plates;

27 (3) a vehicle owned by a disabled veteran or other handi-
28 capped person, and registered under AS 28.10.181 or a resident 65
29 years of age or older who files a written application for an exemption

1 on a form prescribed by the department none;
2 (4) a vehicle owned by the state none;
3 (5) a vehicle owned by an elected state official .. the fee
4 required for that vehicle under (b) of this section;
5 (6) a vehicle owned by a consular officer, unless waived
6 under AS 28.10.181 \$35;
7 (7) a vehicle owned by a rancher, farmer, or dairyman and
8 registered under AS 28.10.181 \$35;
9 (8) a snowmobile or off-highway vehicle \$ 5;
10 (9) an amateur mobile radio station vehicle,
11 (A) with a transceiver capable of less than 5-band
12 operation the fee
13 required for that vehicle under (b) or (c) of this section;
14 (B) in recognition of service to the public: a mobile
15 amateur radio station owned by an amateur with general class or
16 higher license, provided the station must be satisfactorily
17 proved capable of operating on at least five bands from 160
18 through 10 meters, must have an antenna, and must have a power
19 supply and wiring as a permanent part of the vehicle; the trans-
20 mitting unit may be removed from the car for service or dry
21 storage none
22 for a mobile amateur radio station vehicle included in (b)(1) or
23 (2) of this section;
24 (10) dealer registration plates,
25 (A) the initial set of plates \$45;
26 (B) each subsequent set of plates \$25;
27 (11) a vehicle owned by a municipality or charitable orga-
28 nization meeting the requirements of AS 28.10.181(e); \$ 5;
29 (12) an occasional use vehicle under AS 28.10.181(k) .. \$15;

1 (13) a vehicle owned by a Pearl Harbor survivor or a former
2 prisoner of war none;
3 (14) special request Winter Olympics commemorative plates
4 \$70;
5 plus the fee required for that vehicle under (b)(1) or (2) of this
6 section; the fee required by this paragraph shall be collected only on
7 the first issuance and on the replacement of special request plates;
8 the commissioner of administration shall separately account for the
9 fees received under this paragraph that the department deposits in the
10 general fund; the annual estimated balance in the account may be
11 appropriated by the legislature to the Alaska sports fund established
12 under AS 05.35.150;
13 (15) special request veteran or retired veteran plates
14 the fee
15 required for that vehicle under (b) of this section.

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: _____ Agency Affected: Public Safety
 Title: An Act relating to license BRU: Division of Motor Vehicles
plates for veterans
 Sponsor: Halford and Falks Component: Field Services
 Requestor: Senate State Affairs

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars) (Inflation not included)

OPERATING	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94
PERSONAL SERVICES		32.6				
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL		53.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT		3.0				
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	-0-	89.1	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

CAPITAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
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REVENUE	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	-0-	89.1	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	-0-	89.1	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	-0-	1	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Please see attached page.

Prepared by: Charles R. Hosack
 Division: Motor Vehicles

Phone: 269-5551
 Date: 1/18/89

Approved by Commissioner: J.A.H. Arthur English
 Agency: Department of Public Safety

Date: 2-13-89

Analysis:

There are 70,000 veterans living in Alaska according to the Veterans Administration. It is difficult to estimate with any degree of accuracy how many would want this type of license plate. For purposes of this fiscal note the Division will estimate that 10,000 veterans will request the plate during the first year and in subsequent years the requests will be 2,000 annually.

These plates will be available at most offices in the State and the workload will be spread among the offices. The overall increase in workload would be the equivalent of one full-time position to change 10,000 vehicle record and perform other administrative tasks associated with the new program. This position will be in Anchorage where the majority of the registrations will be done. This position will only be needed for the first year of the program.

The breakdown of costs for the first year is as follows:

Personnel

1 PFT Motor Vehicle Representative I/II, Range 9	\$32.6
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Contractual

10,000 plates @ \$5.00	50.0
Shipping to 30 offices	1.0
APSIN network charges	<u>2.5</u>

Equipment

APSIN terminal and printer	3.0
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TOTAL	\$89.1
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After the first year the on-going costs will be \$10,000 for 2,000 plates at \$5.00 each.

Position Title Motor Vehicle Representative I/II		No. of Positions	Range/Step 9/8	Barg. Unit
Time Status PFI	Staff Months 12	Location Anchorage		Election District 7-15
Type of Expenditure		Justification		
Amount		This position is assigned the administrative tasks associated with the start up and first year's operation of the program. These tasks include design and ordering of the plates, forms design, and coordination with veterans organizations to publicize the program. During the first year of operation, 10,000 vehicle records will be updated with the new plates. Although the plates will be available at offices throughout the state, the majority will be done in Anchorage and that is where the position will be located. After the first year the position will no longer be needed and the workload will be absorbed by the offices.		
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Salary*	21.4	////////////////////		
Benefits*	11.2	////////////////////		
Premium Pay (Included in Above)		////////////////////		
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Total Personal Services		////////////////////	32.6	
Travel				
Contractual			2.5	
Commodities				
Equipment			3.0	
Other				
Total Cost			38.1	
Funding Source for Total Cost				
Federal Receipts	1002			
G.F. Match	1003			
General Fund	1004		38.1	
Program Receipts/GF	1005			
I-A Receipts	1007			
CIP Receipts	1061			
Other				
* Personal Services Salary and Benefits Costs are from PACS Scenario #2.				

REQUEST FOR
NEW POSITION

AGENCY Department of Public Safety
 BRU Division of Motor Vehicles
 COMPONENT Field Services

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President,
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FROM
 V.F.W. Post 10241
 Willow Station
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 27 January 1980

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17 November 1988

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I would appreciate it if you would review this draft, and if so inclined, introduce similar legislation for consideration by the Alaska State Senate.

If you desire additional information, please call me.

Respectfully, in
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OFFICE OF MOTOR VEHICLES

October 5, 1988

Jeremiah C. Harrington, President
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Dear Mr. Harrington,

The following information concerning the U.S. Veteran and Retired Veteran license plate is being provided as requested in your correspondence of September 22, 1988.


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If further assistance or information is needed, please contact this office.

Sincerely,


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HOUSE BILL NO. 352
BY MESSRS. BRUNEAU, BRADY, MCCLEARY,
MELANCON, PATTI, AND THERIOT
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:463.18, relative to the issuance of special prestige license plates, to provide for the issuance of special prestige license plates for veterans and retired veterans of the armed forces of the United States, and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 47:463.18 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§463.18. Special prestige license plates for veterans and retired veterans

The secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall establish special prestige license plates for motor vehicles, restricted to passenger cars, pickup trucks, and vans, which may be issued to any veteran or retired veteran of the armed forces of the United States upon the veteran's application. The prestige license plate shall be of a color and design selected by the Veterans' Affairs Commission of the state of Louisiana and shall bear the name of the appropriate branch of the armed service.

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C. The prestige license plates shall be used only upon personally or jointly owned private passenger cars, pickup trucks, and vans registered in the name, or jointly in the name, of the member making application, and when issued to the applicant shall be used upon the vehicle for which issued in lieu of the standard license plate normally issued for the vehicle. The prestige license plate issued hereunder shall not be transferable between motor vehicle owners. In the event the owner of a vehicle bearing the distinctive plate shall sell, trade, exchange, or otherwise dispose of it, the plate shall be retained by the owner to whom issued and by him returned to the issuing official.

D. The secretary shall promulgate such rules and regulations as necessary to implement the provisions of this Section. Oversight review of the secretary's proposed rules and regulations shall be conducted by the Joint Legislative Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

Approved by the Governor, June 8, 1987.

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(b) [Repealed, 1983 Initiative Proposal No. 2, § 6.]

(c) [Repealed, § 6 ch 70 SLA 1986.]

(d) [Repealed, § 41 ch 37 SLA 1986.]

(e) [Repealed, § 3 ch 89 SLA 1987.]

(f) A resident 65 years of age or older on January 1 of the year the vehicle is registered is entitled to an exemption from the registration fee required under this section for one motor vehicle subject to registration under AS 28.10.421(b)(1), (2), (5), or (6). An exemption may not be granted except upon written application for the exemption on a form prescribed by the department. (§ 7 ch 178 SLA 1978; am 1983 Initiative Proposal No. 2, § 6; am § 85 ch 6 SLA 1984; am § 41 ch 37 SLA 1986; am § 6 ch 60 SLA 1986; am § 6 ch 70 SLA 1986; am § 3 ch 89 SLA 1987)

Effect of amendments. — The 1985 amendment repealed subsection (b), concerning payment of motor carrier fees.

The first 1986 amendment repealed subsection (d), concerning payments by the Department of Community and Regional Affairs.

The second 1986 amendment added subsection (f).

The third 1986 amendment repealed subsection (c), concerning exemption for residents 65 years of age or older.

The 1987 amendment repealed subsection (e), concerning inclusion of state park and camp ground fees in registration fees.

Sec. 28.10.421. Registration fee rates. (a) Unless otherwise provided by law, the fees prescribed in this section shall be paid to the department at the times provided under AS 28.10.108 and 28.10.111.

(b) The annual registration fees under this subsection are imposed within the following classifications for:

(1) a passenger vehicle or motor home not used or maintained for the transportation of persons or property for hire or for other commercial use\$35;

(2) a pick-up truck or a van not exceeding 6,000 pounds unladen weight and not used or maintained for the transportation of persons or property for hire or for other commercial use\$40;

(3) a taxicab\$70;

(4) a motor bus with a seating capacity for 20 or more persons and used exclusively for commercial purposes in the transporting of visitors or tourists\$85;

(5) a motorcycle or a motor-driven cycle\$20;

(6) a two- or four-wheeled trailer not used or maintained for the transportation of persons or property for hire or for other commercial use, including, but not limited to, a boat trailer, baggage trailer, box trailer, utility trailer or house trailer\$ 5.

(c) The annual registration fees under this subsection are imposed and are based upon the actual unladen weight as established by the manufacturer's advertised weight or upon the actual weight which the owner shall furnish, subject to the approval of the commissioner or the commissioner's representative, for a vehicle, including a motor vehicle

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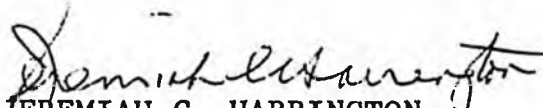
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AMENDMENT #1

TO: SB 65

OFFERED IN SENATE STATE AFFAIRS

Page 1, lines 14-16:

Delete the last sentence of paragraph (o)

Insert "The commissioner, after consulting with the director of the Division of Veterans Affairs, shall determine the design and color of the veteran or retired veteran plates."

AMENDMENT #2

TO: SB 65

OFFERED IN SENATE STATE AFFAIRS

PAGE 3, lines 14 and 15:

Delete "the fee required for that vehilcle under (b) of this section"

Insert "\$10; plus the fee required for that vehicle under (b) of this section; the fee required by this paragraph shall be collected only on the first issuance and on the replacement of special request plates."

SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT

FIRST COMMITTEE OF REFERRAL

Date of 5-DAY NOTICE 2-9-89
IN ACCORDANCE WITH UNIFORM RULE 23

FURTHER FINANCE

**FISCAL NOTE(S) MUST BE ATTACHED
IN ACCORDANCE WITH AS 24.08.035

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE 2-22-89

1/9/89

Mr. President:

STATE AFFAIRS Committee considered SB 65

relating to motor vehicle license plates for veterans.

and recommended:

- replace with CS SB 05 (ST AFF) same title
- attached amendment(s) and new title
- _____ letter of intent adopted
- do pass
- do not pass
- no recommendation
- individual recommendations
- further referral to _____

FISCAL NOTE(S) attached zero
 appropriation no FN attached

fiscal impact
 Gov. FN introduced w/ bill

MEMBERS SIGNING DO PASS

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

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Chairman signature and recommendation

Committee backup attached

Original sponsors: Halford, Faiks,
Sturgulewski, et al.

1 IN THE SENATE BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 65 (Finance)

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to motor vehicle license plates for
7 veterans and recipients of the Purple Heart."

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

9 * Section 1. AS 28.10.181 is amended by adding new subsections to read:

10 (o) Vehicles owned by veterans. The department, upon receipt of
11 written proof, shall issue special registration plates for one noncom-
12 mercial motor vehicle to a person who is a veteran or retired veteran
13 of the armed forces of the United States. The commissioner, after
14 consulting with the director of the division of veterans affairs,
15 shall determine the design and color of the veteran or retired veteran
16 plates.

17 (p) Vehicles owned by recipients of the Purple Heart. The
18 department, upon receipt of written proof, shall issue special regis-
19 tration plates for one noncommercial motor vehicle to a person who has
20 received the Purple Heart medal awarded for wounds suffered in action
21 against an armed enemy or as a result of the hostile action of an
22 armed enemy. The commissioner, after consulting with the director of
23 the division of veterans affairs, shall determine the design and color
24 of the Purple Heart medal recipient plates.

25 * Sec. 2. AS 28.10.421(d)(2) is repealed and reenacted to read:

26 (2) special request plates for

- 27 (A) Alaska National Guard personnel \$ 30; (existing)
28 (B) veterans or retired veterans \$ 30; was \$10
29 (C) recipients of the Purple Heart \$ 30; added

Original sponsors: Halford, Faiks,
Sturgulewski, et al.

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17 plates.

18 * Sec. 2. AS 28.10.421(d) is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

19 (15) special request veteran or retired veteran plates
20 \$10;
21 plus the fee required for that vehicle under (b) of this section; the
22 fee required by this paragraph shall be collected only on the first
23 issuance and on the replacement of special request plates.

24

added

added

SB 65 MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE PLATES FOR VETERANS

TO TESTIFY

SENATOR HALFORD, SPONSOR (THERESA)

JEFF MORRISON, DEPT. MILITARY AFFAIRS

BILL BROWN, DIV. MOTOR VEHICLES, D.P.S.

OTHERS (SEE WITNESS LIST)

F.Y.I.

HOUSE VERSION (H.B. 11) WAS AMENDED IN TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE:

- \$10 FEE (HALFORD'S IS \$0. THE \$10 WOULD AT LEAST COVER THE COST OF THE PLATE. MOTOR VEHICLES PREFERS HOUSE VERSION; HALFORD SAYS HE'LL GO ALONG WITH IT.)
- PLATE DESIGNED BY DIV. MOTOR VEHICLES IN CONSULTATION WITH MILITARY AFFAIRS (HALFORD'S IS SOLELY BY MOTOR VEHICLES. MILITARY AFFAIRS PREFERS THE HOUSE VERSION.)

MOTOR VEHICLES CURRENTLY ISSUES PLATES TO P.O.W.'S AND PEARL HARBOR SURVIVORS. THEY SAY VERY FEW OF THESE HAVE BEEN ISSUED.

BILL CONTAINS NO DEFINITION OF VETERAN. THE STATUTES DEFINE DIFFERENTLY FOR DIFFERENT PURPOSES. THE DEFINITION IS NARROW FOR THE LOAN PROGRAMS. IN THIS CASE, A BROADER DEFINITION WOULD GENERATE MORE REVENUE. ABSENT A DEFINITION, MOTOR VEHICLES WOULD LIKELY REQUIRE SOME KIND OF DISCHARGE PAPERS.

SUPPOSEDLY THERE ARE 70,000 VETERANS IN ALASKA -- ?

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

POSITION PAPER
SB65

Summary of Bill: This bill would authorize the Department of Public Safety to issue special license plates for veterans and retired veterans of the armed forces of the United States. The current version of the bill does not impose an additional fee for recipients of the veteran or retired veteran plates.

Background: This bill is almost identical to HB11. The main differences between SB65 and HB11 are: 1) HB11 requires an additional fee of \$10 for the special license plates, whereas SB65 does not require an additional fee; and 2) in section 2 of the bill, the drafting style of HB11 does not repeat the entire text of AS 28.10.421(d), whereas SB65 does.

Impact of Bill on Department of Military and Veterans Affairs: The Division of Veterans Affairs would publicize and promote the special license plates, but would not have any administrative responsibilities associated with the bill. No fiscal impact on DMVA is anticipated.

Departmental Position on Bill: The Department supports the bill. We suggest that the following amendment be considered:

Page 1, lines 14-16: Delete last sentence of paragraph (o), and insert: "The commissioner, after consulting with the director of the Division of Veterans Affairs, shall determine the design and color of the veteran or retired veteran plates."

This would require consultation with the Director of Veterans Affairs prior to the Commissioner of Public Safety determining the design and color of the special license plates.

In addition, we believe that amending the bill to add an additional fee of \$10 for the initial issuance and replacement of the special plates is worth serious consideration.

Approved: _____

J. Morrison
for MG John W. Schaeffer

Date: _____

2/15/89

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: February 14, 1989
 Title: Relating to veterans motor
vehicle license plates
 Sponsor: Halford
 Requestor: Senate State Affairs

Agency Affected: Military & Veterans Affairs
 BRU: _____
 Components: _____

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	0	0	0	0	0	0

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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
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TOTAL						

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Prepared by: Jeff Morrison, Director
 Division: Administrative & Support Services, DMVA

Phone: 465-4600
 Date: February 14, 1989

Approved by Commissioner: for MG John Schaeffer
 Agency: Department of Military & Veterans Affairs

Date: February 14, 1989

Distribution (by preparer):

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FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: February 22, 1989
 Title: Relating to veterans motor vehicle license plates
 Sponsor: Senate State Affairs
 Requestor: Senate State Affairs

Agency Affected: Military & Veterans Affairs
 BRU: _____
 Components: _____

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	0	0	0	0	0	0
CAPITAL						
REVENUE						

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL						

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
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ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Prepared by: Jeff Morrison, Director
 Division: Administrative & Support Services, DMVA
 Approved by: Commissioner for MG/John Schaeffer
 Agency: Department of Military & Veterans Affairs

Phone: 465-4600
 Date: February 23, 1989
 Date: February 23, 1989

Distribution (by preparer):

- Legislative Finance
- Legislative Sponsor
- Requestor
- Office of Management and Budget
- Impacted Agency(ies)

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: 2/22/89
Title: An Act relating to license plates for veterans
Sponsor: Senator Halford
Requestor: Senate State Affairs

Agency Affected: Public Safety
BRU: Division of Motor Vehicles
Component: Field Services

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars) (Inflation not included)

OPERATING	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94
PERSONAL SERVICES		32.6				
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL		53.5	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT		3.0				
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	-0-	89.1	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

CAPITAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
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REVENUE	-0-	100.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	-0-	89.1	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	-0-	89.1	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	-0-	1	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Please see attached page.

Prepared by: Charles R. Hosack
Division: Motor Vehicles

Phone: 269-5551
Date: 2/22/89

Approved by Commissioner: Arthur English
Agency: Department of Public Safety

Date: 2/22/89

Analysis:

There are 70,000 veterans living in Alaska according to the Veterans Administration. It is difficult to estimate with any degree of accuracy how many would want this type of license plate. For purposes of this fiscal note the Division will estimate that 10,000 veterans will request the plate during the first year and in subsequent years the requests will be 2,000 annually.

These plates will be available at most offices in the State and the workload will be spread among the offices. The overall increase in workload would be the equivalent of one full-time position to change 10,000 vehicle record and perform other administrative tasks associated with the new program. This position will be in Anchorage where the majority of the registrations will be done. This position will only be needed for the first year of the program.

The breakdown of costs for the first year is as follows:

Personnel

1 PFT Motor Vehicle Representative I/II, Range 9	\$32.6
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Contractual

10,000 plates @ \$5.00	50.0
Shipping to 30 offices	1.0
APSIN network charges	<u>2.5</u>

Equipment

APSIN terminal and printer	3.0
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TOTAL	\$89.1
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After the first year the on-going costs will be \$10,000 for 2,000 plates at \$5.00 each.

Revenue

A fee of \$10.00 over and above the cost of regular vehicle registration will be charged when the veteran license plates are originally issued. Using the estimate of 10,000 veteran plates the first year the revenues would be 10,000 x \$10 for a total of \$100,000. After the first year revenue would be for 2,000 plates per year x \$10 for a total of \$20,000.

Position Title Motor Vehicle Representative I/II			No. of Positions	Range/Step 9/8	Barg. Unit G
Time Status PFT	Staff Months 12		Location Anchorage		Election District 7-15
Type of Expenditure			Amount		
1			2		
Salary*			21.4		
Benefits*			11.2		
Premium Pay (Included in Above)			////////////////////////////////////		
Other			////////////////////////////////////		
Total Personal Services			//////////////////////////////////// 32.6		
Travel					
Contractual			2.5		
Commodities					
Equipment			3.0		
Other					
Total Cost			38.1		
Funding Source, for Total Cost					
Federal Receipts 1002					
G.F. Match 1003					
General Fund 1004			38.1		
Program Receipts/GF 1005					
I-A Receipts 1007					
CIP Receipts 1061					
Other					
* Personal Services Salary and Benefits Costs are from PACS Scenario #2.					
Justification This position is assigned the administrative tasks associated with the start up and first year's operation of the program. These tasks include design and ordering of the plates, forms design, and coordination with veterans organizations to publicize the program. During the first year of operation, 10,000 vehicle records will be updated with the new plates. Although the plates will be available at offices throughout the state, the majority will be done in Anchorage and that is where the position will be located. After the first year the position will no longer be needed and the workload will be absorbed by the offices.					

REQUEST FOR
NEW POSITION

AGENCY Department of Public Safety
 BRU Division of Motor Vehicles
 COMPONENT Field Services

Page 3 of 3
 Revised Date

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(b) [Repealed, 1983 Initiative Proposal No. 2, § 6.]

(c) [Repealed, § 6 ch 70 SLA 1986.]

(d) [Repealed, § 41 ch 37 SLA 1986.]

(e) [Repealed, § 3 ch 89 SLA 1987.]

(f) A resident 65 years of age or older on January 1 of the year the vehicle is registered is entitled to an exemption from the registration fee required under this section for one motor vehicle subject to registration under AS 28.10.421(b)(1), (2), (5), or (6). An exemption may not be granted except upon written application for the exemption on a form prescribed by the department. (§ 7 ch 178 SLA 1978; am 1983 Initiative Proposal No. 2, § 6; am § 85 ch 6 SLA 1984; am § 41 ch 37 SLA 1986; am § 6 ch 60 SLA 1986; am § 6 ch 70 SLA 1986; am § 3 ch 89 SLA 1987)

Effect of amendments. — The 1985 amendment repealed subsection (b), concerning payment of motor carrier fees.

The first 1986 amendment repealed subsection (d), concerning payments by the Department of Community and Regional Affairs.

The second 1986 amendment added subsection (f).

The third 1986 amendment repealed subsection (c), concerning exemption for residents 65 years of age or older.

The 1987 amendment repealed subsection (e), concerning inclusion of state park and camp ground fees in registration fees.

Sec. 28.10.421. Registration fee rates. (a) Unless otherwise provided by law, the fees prescribed in this section shall be paid to the department at the times provided under AS 28.10.108 and 28.10.111.

(b) The annual registration fees under this subsection are imposed within the following classifications for:

(1) a passenger vehicle or motor home not used or maintained for the transportation of persons or property for hire or for other commercial use\$35;

(2) a pick-up truck or a van not exceeding 6,000 pounds unladen weight and not used or maintained for the transportation of persons or property for hire or for other commercial use\$40;

(3) a taxicab\$70;

(4) a motor bus with a seating capacity for 20 or more persons and used exclusively for commercial purposes in the transporting of visitors or tourists\$85;

(5) a motorcycle or a motor-driven cycle\$20;

(6) a two- or four-wheeled trailer not used or maintained for the transportation of persons or property for hire or for other commercial use, including, but not limited to, a boat trailer, baggage trailer, box trailer, utility trailer or house trailer\$ 5.

(c) The annual registration fees under this subsection are imposed and are based upon the actual unladen weight as established by the manufacturer's advertised weight or upon the actual weight which the owner shall furnish, subject to the approval of the commissioner or the commissioner's representative, for a vehicle, including a motor vehicle

Requires Dept. to issue special license plates for veterans.

BY HALFORD, FAIKS,
STURGULEWSKI, KELLY,
COGHILL AND FRANK

1 IN THE SENATE

2 SENATE BILL NO. 65

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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14 of the armed forces of the United States. The design and color of the
15 veteran or retired veteran plates shall be solely within the dis-
16 cretion of the commissioner.

17 * Sec. 2. AS 28.10.421(d) is amended to read:

18 (d) The special registration fees under this subsection are
19 imposed annually, unless otherwise specified, for:

20 *ix \$10* (1) an historic vehicle (one time only upon initial registra-
21 tion under AS 28.10.181) \$10;

22 (2) special request plates including those authorized for
23 use by Alaska National Guard personnel only \$30;
24 plus the fee required for that vehicle under (b)(1) or (2) of this
25 section; the fee required by this paragraph shall be collected only on
26 the first issuance and on the replacement of special request plates;

27 (3) a vehicle owned by a disabled veteran or other handi-
28 capped person, and registered under AS 28.10.181 or a resident 65
29 years of age or older who files a written application for an exemption

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- 1 on a form prescribed by the department none;
- 2 (4) a vehicle owned by the state none;
- 3 (5) a vehicle owned by an elected state official .. the fee
- 4 required for that vehicle under (b) of this section;
- 5 (6) a vehicle owned by a consular officer, unless waived
- 6 under AS 28.10.181 \$35;
- 7 (7) a vehicle owned by a rancher, farmer, or dairyman and
- 8 registered under AS 28.10.181 \$35;
- 9 (8) a snowmobile or off-highway vehicle \$ 5;
- 10 (9) an amateur mobile radio station vehicle,
- 11 (A) with a transceiver capable of less than 5-band
- 12 operation the fee
- 13 required for that vehicle under (b) or (c) of this section;
- 14 (B) in recognition of service to the public: a mobile
- 15 amateur radio station owned by an amateur with general class or
- 16 higher license, provided the station must be satisfactorily
- 17 proved capable of operating on at least five bands from 160
- 18 through 10 meters, must have an antenna, and must have a power
- 19 supply and wiring as a permanent part of the vehicle; the trans-
- 20 mitting unit may be removed from the car for service or dry
- 21 storage none
- 22 for a mobile amateur radio station vehicle included in (b)(1) or
- 23 (2) of this section;
- 24 (10) dealer registration plates,
- 25 (A) the initial set of plates \$45;
- 26 (B) each subsequent set of plates \$25;
- 27 (11) a vehicle owned by a municipality or charitable orga-
- 28 nization meeting the requirements of AS 28.10.181(e) \$ 5;
- 29 (12) an occasional use vehicle under AS 28.10.181(k) .. \$15;

1 (13) a vehicle owned by a Pearl Harbor survivor or a former
2 prisoner of war none;

3 (14) special request Winter Olympics commemorative plates
4 \$70;

5 plus the fee required for that vehicle under (b)(1) or (2) of this
6 section; the fee required by this paragraph shall be collected only on
7 the first issuance and on the replacement of special request plates;
8 the commissioner of administration shall separately account for the
9 fees received under this paragraph that the department deposits in the
10 general fund; the annual estimated balance in the account may be
11 appropriated by the legislature to the Alaska sports fund established
12 under AS 05.35.150;

13 (15) special request veteran or retired veteran plates
14 the fee
15 required for that vehicle under (b) of this section.

I think this means no special or additional fee for the special plate.

(b) simply lays out the standard registration fees: passenger vehicle \$30
pickup truck \$35
taxi cab \$65
motorcycle \$15
etc.