

**SB**

**146**

**SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT**  
**First Committee of Referral**

DATE: 3/17/03

FURTHER: Finance

Date of 5-Day Notice: 4/2/03  
 (in accordance with Uniform Rule 23)

DATE TURNED 4/9/03  
 IN TO OFFICE:

State Affairs Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 146

**SB 146 COMMEMORATIVE VETERANS LICENSE PLATE**

"An Act relating to a commemorative veterans' license plate; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends:

**Senate Bill:**

be replaced with \_\_\_\_\_ CS \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_)

same title

adopt previous \_\_\_\_\_ CS \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_)

new title

**House Bill:**

attached amendment(s)

same title

technical title

new: SCR # \_\_\_\_\_

adopt Letter of Intent by \_\_\_\_\_ Committee

further referral to \_\_\_\_\_ Committee

**NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):**

**PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTE(S):**

Department	Date	Fiscal	Zero	FN#
DOA	4/2/03	✓		1

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APPROPRIATION - no fiscal note

SIGNATURES AND RECOMMENDATIONS:	DO PASS	DO NOT PASS	NO REC	AMEND
<i>John J. ...</i>	✓			
<i>...</i>	✓			
<i>...</i>	✓			
<b>CHAIR:</b> <i>...</i>	✓			

# FISCAL NOTE

**STATE OF ALASKA**  
**2003 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

Fiscal Note Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Bill Version: SB 146  
 () Publish Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): \_\_\_\_\_ Dept. Affected: Administration  
 Title An act relating to commemorative BRU Motor Vehicles  
veterans' license plates... Component Motor Vehicles  
 Sponsor Senator Guess  
 Requester (S) STA Component No. 2348

**Expenditures/Revenues** (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual	2.9				2.9	
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>0.0</b>

<b>CAPITAL EXPENDITURES</b>						
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<b>CHANGE IN REVENUES ( )</b>	<b>13.5</b>	<b>13.5</b>	<b>16.3</b>	<b>16.3</b>	<b>19.1</b>	<b>19.1</b>
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**FUND SOURCE** (Thousands of Dollars)

FUND SOURCE	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF	2.9				2.9	
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)						
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>0.0</b>

Estimate of any current year (FY2003) cost: 0.0

Check this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2004 budget proposal:

**POSITIONS**

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

**ANALYSIS:** (Attach a separate page if necessary)  
 The contract cost for special-design plates is \$4.70 per pair plus a one time set-up cost of \$500.00. The initial order of plates will be 500 pairs. The initial operating budget expenditure will be \$2850.00.

Revenue - There is a one-time cost of \$100 plus \$35 at each biennial registration renewal for this special plate. It is estimated that 100 vehicle owners per year will obtain this registration. The annual revenue for the first two years would be \$13,500. After the first two years it is assumed that 80% of the owners will continue this registration.

Examples of comparable plate sales in FY02: UAF-20, UAA-4, UAS-2, Childrens' Trust-149.

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 Division Motor Vehicles Date/Time 4/1/03  
 Approved by: Mike Miller, Commissioner Date 4/2/2003  
 Agency Department of Administration

# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE



SENATOR GRETCHEN GUESS

## Sponsor Statement SB 146

*" An Act relating to commemorative veterans' license plate; and providing for an effective date."*

Senate Bill 146 creates a special request license plate commemorating veterans. These plates would be available for any Alaskan to purchase to show their support for Veterans and the money may be appropriated for veterans' programs. The license plates could be purchased for a one time fee of \$100, with a biennial renewal fee of \$35.

Currently, many special request plates exist in Alaska. License plates to benefit the Alaska Children's Trust, commemorating the arts, and plates to support dog mushing programs are available for purchase. Although veterans can purchase plates that recognize their military service, no license plate currently exists for Alaskans to show their support for veterans.

Proceeds from the sale of these plates as well as the renewal fees may be set aside for programs benefiting Alaska veterans, including an Alaska Veterans' Home. Alaska is the only state without a veterans' home.



*The Friends of the Alaska Children's Trust*  
Deborah Bonito, Chair

In 2001, Friends of the Alaska Children's Trust (FACT) expanded its operation in order to better support ACT. We hired our first-ever staff person and moved out of our virtual office and into a physical one. This new administrative base will pay off in 2002 with increased financial contributions to ACT and an improved public outreach effort.

On the fundraising front, FACT looks forward to another round of successful events with the *Mush for Kids* in Fairbanks, and the *Alaska Children's Trust Golf Classic* in Anchorage. Thanks to corporate underwriters and sponsorships from local businesses, these events continue to raise a substantial amount of money each year. We hope to expand this support to the individual level in 2002 with the launch of an annual donor campaign, scheduled to kick-off this April. Promotion of ACT merchandise is another important fundraising activity, and will include advertising in local media, targeted direct mail campaigns, and "free publicity" with newspaper, TV and newsletter stories.



David Wight of Alyeska Pipeline Service Co. presents a BIG check from the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Alaska Children's Trust Golf Classic to Diane Kaplan, Judy Salo, Deborah Bonito, and Mike Burns, Pipeline Services.

To boost our public outreach in communities across the state, FACT will welcome on board an *America's Promise* Fellow in mid-January. Founded by Colin Powell in 1997, *America's Promise* is a volunteer-based initiative dedicated to making America a better place for youth. The Fellow will assist with a number of important outreach activities, from public speaking, to conference attendance, and development of media materials. Additionally, the Fellow will recruit and organize youth volunteers across the state. The goal of this "kids helping kids" initiative is to introduce the value of advocacy to young people and to encourage community service at an early age.

FACT will keep you informed of our progress through newsletters and periodic mailings. If you are interested in helping with fundraising or outreach activities, please contact our office—we would love your help! To receive more information about Friends of the Alaska Children's Trust, please call (907) 248-7676 or email us at [mail@friendsofact.org](mailto:mail@friendsofact.org).



*FACT is on the Web!*

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# Success!

*Birth Certificate*



Since 1998, Heirloom Birth Certificates have raised \$82,600 for the ACT.



Since 2000, Children's Trust license plates have raised \$38,700 for the ACT.

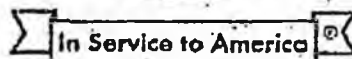


*Marriage Certificate*



Heirloom Marriage Certificates became available in the summer of 2001 and have raised \$4,760 for the ACT.

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**Chapter 904 - Anchorage, Alaska  
"An Agenda of Service"**

April 8, 2003

Senator Gretchen Guess  
Alaska State Senate  
Juneau, Alaska

**TESTIMONY on SB146**

My name is Ted Taylor and I am the President of Chapter 904 of the Vietnam Veterans of America. Our organization, although only a year plus old, has and continues to be an active and visible advocate for the development and operation of a Veterans Home in Anchorage.

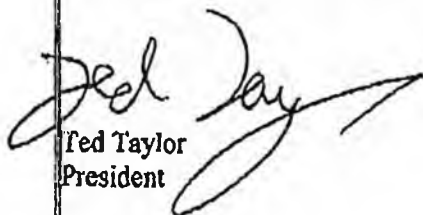
But, we have taken a different approach than what many would expect. We believe in taking care of our own and have advocated private contributions to a state fund that would augment whatever the state and the federal Veterans Administration offers for the design, construction, and operation of our first Veterans Home.

We strongly support SB146 as an appropriate means to generate recognition for our veterans and those who are still active in the armed forces of the United States, but also as a means to recognize veterans who need assistance.

We would also like to offer our services in the plate design. We have unique skills in the membership of our organization that we believe can be of significant assistance in this area.

I am also delivering today a copy of the formal position of our organization as a result of a vote of the general membership in support of SB146.

If you have any questions I would be most pleased to attempt to answer them.



Ted Taylor  
President

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In Service to America

**Chapter 904 - Anchorage, Alaska  
"An Agenda of Service"**

April 8, 2003

Senator Gretchen Guess  
Alaska State Senate  
Juneau, Alaska

**TESTIMONY on SB 146**

As you know the Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 904 has been a strong advocate of the development and operation of an Alaskan Veterans Home and of efforts that could provide the necessary funds. We believe SB146 will greatly assist in allowing individual Alaskans not only to express their support for our men and women in uniform, but also help provide for those veterans in need later in their lives.

We strongly support immediate passage of SB146 as it will provide one source of funding, on a voluntary basis to any Alaskan, for the much needed Alaska Veterans Home.

If it is at all possible, the Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 904 would like to participate in the design of the new plate.

This testimony directly reflects the unanimous vote by the general membership of Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 904 in support of SB146. Please submit this for the public record.

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**Subject:** SB 146

To the Honorable Representatives and Senators,

I urge you to favorably consider SB 146, for a proposed Veterans' Commemorative License Plate, fees from which would be applied to a "Stand-alone" Alaska Veterans' Home fund. As a member of the Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 804 in Anchorage, it has been a primary goal of our organization to establish such a facility because, frankly, we might need it someday soon ourselves! Without detracting from the value of the current Pioneers' (and veterans) Homes, the sheer numbers of Alaska veterans will soon overcome the capacity of a "catch-all" facility. We Alaskans owe it to our veterans, as much as to our venerated Pioneers, to provide a place close to home in which to spend their final years. Please give passage of this bill your utmost, and most favorable consideration. Sincerely, Steven J. Kinnally, PA-C, CDR USNR(ret.), USMC-Vietnam, 1970-1.