

**SB**

**49**

**SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT  
First Committee of Referral**

DATE: 1/16/07

FURTHER: Transportation  
Finance

Date of 5-Day Notice: 01/18/07  
(in accordance with Uniform Rule 23)

DATE TURNED  
IN TO OFFICE: 1/23/07

State Affairs Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 49

**SB 49 COMMEMORATIVE PLATES: STATEHOOD ANIV.**

"An Act relating to commemorative license plates celebrating Alaska's 50th anniversary as a state; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends:

- be replaced with  SCS or  CS SB 49 (STA)
- adopt previous  SCS or  CS \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_)
- attached amendment(s)
- adopt \_\_\_\_\_ Letter of Intent
- further referral to \_\_\_\_\_ Committee

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<b>HOUSE BILL:</b>	
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**NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):**

Department	Date	Fiscal	Indet.	Zero	FN#
DOA	01/22			✓	1

**PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTE(S):**

Department	Date	Fiscal	Indet.	Zero	FN#

APPROPRIATION - no fiscal note

SIGNATURES AND RECOMMENDATIONS	PRINTED LASTNAME	DO PASS	DO NOT PASS	NO. REC.	AMEND.
	French			X	
	Steven S Green	X			
	Bunde	✓			
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# Senator Gary Stevens

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### Sponsor Statement for SB 49

"An Act relating to commemorative license plates celebrating Alaska's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a state; and providing for an effective date."

In 2009, Alaska will celebrate its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary as the 49<sup>th</sup> state of the United States of America. To mark this historic occasion, the 23<sup>rd</sup> Legislature created the Alaska Statehood Celebration Commission to organize, plan and administer all official state activities leading up to the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Alaska statehood. In the spirit of celebrating our landmark anniversary, the commission recommends the state issue a commemorative license plate.

Senate Bill 49 gives the Division of Motor Vehicles statutory authority to issue a special license plate commemorating the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Alaska's statehood. The Division, in consultation with the Alaska Statehood Celebration Commission, will determine the design and color of the commemorative plate. The Division will begin to issue the commemorative license plate on August 1, 2007.

I urge your support of this important legislation.

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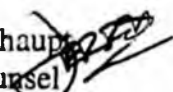
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## MEMORANDUM

January 18, 2007

**SUBJECT:** Sectional Summary - SB 49 (Work Order No. 25-LS0388VA)

**TO:** Senator Gary Stevens

**FROM:** Gerald P. Luckhaupt  
Legislative Counsel 

You have requested a sectional summary of the above-described bill. As a preliminary matter, please note that a sectional summary of a bill should not be considered an authoritative interpretation of the bill - the bill itself is the best statement of its contents.

This bill creates commemorative license plates to honor Alaska's 50th anniversary as a state. The bill is based upon the procedure used by the legislature to create commemorative centennial gold rush license plates in 1996.

**Section 1.** Adds a purpose clause.

**Section 2.** Amends AS 28.10.161(b) to require that passenger vehicle plates issued after 8/1/2007 shall be a commemorative 50th anniversary statehood plate. This section sunsets in 2017 when sec. 3 springs into effect.

**Section 3.** In 2017, reverts the design of passenger vehicle license plates to the current design once the commemorative period is finished.

**Sections 4 - 5.** Provide directions to the Department of Administration to handle the transition.

**Section 6.** Provides an instruction for the Revisor of Statutes.

**Sections 7 - 8.** Provide effective dates.

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Amendment No. 1 offered by Senator Stevens:

Page 1, line 10, strike "August 1, 2007"

Insert "**January 1, 2008**"



January 22, 2007

Frank H. Macdowick, Governor  
William Noll, Commissioner

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**TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:**

**Testimony in support of SB 49 – Commemorative License  
Plates Celebrating Alaska's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as a State**

The Alaska Statehood Celebration Commission has been working with the Department of Motor Vehicles for the past year to design an appropriate commemorative license plate for our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration.

It is the intent of the Commission that these commemorative plates will be the primary license plate issued by the Department throughout the period of time set aside for the celebration which will begin in January 2008 and culminate mid-year in 2009.

The celebration plates will clearly reflect Alaska's 50 years of statehood in addition to acknowledging Alaska's place in the Union of States.

Your affirmative action in approving this legislation will be greatly appreciated. It is quite appropriate that the bill number of this piece of legislation is "49" in honor of our statehood. If you have further questions or need more information, please feel free to contact me.

**Gail Phillips  
Chairman**

**The Alaska Statehood Celebration Commission**