

Transportation Committee by Senator Korshoj. It provides that prestige plates can be purchased for small trucks. Currently, there is a four-ton weight limit on prestige plates. Senator Korshoj's bill calls for six tons. It was the committee's feeling that there was no reason not to increase that to 10, 10 ton, thinking that probably next year there would be another bill come in with somebody that would want to increase it again to a higher tonnage. Seeing no reason to deny a prestige plate to those pickups that are licensed as high as 10 ton, the committee adopted the amendment and I would recommend that that amendment be adopted on the floor.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Discussion on the committee amendment? Seeing none, anything further, Senator Lamb? The question is the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 79. Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. On the committee amendments, record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of committee amendments.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Committee amendments are adopted. The Chair recognizes Senator Korshoj on the bill as amended.

SENATOR KORSHOJ: Mr. Speaker and members, when I introduced the bill at six ton we did a little research to find out why it was four ton. We could find no reason. In 1977 LB 419, the law was amended to authorize prestige plates and no mention then was made for that reason of a four ton limit. The Department of Motor Vehicles also said they don't know why the four ton limit was established and don't see any problem with raising it to the now amended ten ton. The Department of Motor Vehicles says they will have no problem until we get to 12 ton where their portion, of the fuel tax. Really that's really all I have to say about it. I talked to a Ford dealer and he said now their Ford pickups, we call them commercial trucks maybe, from F-350 to F-450, actually would be able to have a ten ton license and still be considered a pickup or a small truck. And I might add that unlike Bernice's bill there is no A bill with this one. This will only generate extra revenue. It will not cost us anything. With that I ask for the advancement of the bill.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Discussion on the advancement of LB 79. There are no lights on. Senator Korshoj, anything further? Thank you. the question is the advancement of LB 79