

more groups in the future, and so we wanted to set a just fee for all the people which covers the cost adequately, will not have to be changed immediately to reflect higher costs. I should also point out that the \$8.27 on this bill is for three years, but you can't just divide that by three to come up with the annual cost because some people only get those license plates for one year or two years rather than three years. So there is a net loss on those plates that are issued for less than three years. We have to go through the full three-year cycle to recover our cost. So, you know, I think this \$5 is reasonable. Last year this body raised this fee from \$1 to \$10. This body thought that was reasonable. I think even Senator Coordsen agreed with that, but there has been a lot of discussion about it, and there have been some inconsistencies among these various plates which recognize the service of these people, but, also, also acts somewhat as a prestige plate. So the people that get these plates do gain some personal benefit. Now our regular prestige plates, as you know, are \$75 to be issued, and then \$35 annually after the first year. So this is really a very minor amount in my opinion. It is consistent. It reflects the best judgment of the committee that deliberated long and hard on this issue, and so I would just like to see this \$5 committee amendment stick on this one, and it will be consistent on the next ones, and we will, I think, have solved the problem quite some time in the future. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The question is the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 58. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. On the committee amendments, have you all voted? Have you all voted? Record, please.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 7 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of committee amendments.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The committee amendments are adopted. To the bill as amended, Senator Coordsen.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body. I think we have explored this bill in some depth. I would simply urge the advancement of this bill as amended.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Is there discussion? If not, shall LB 58 be advanced to E & R Initial? Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please.