

licenses and so on, and it makes good policy. It is something that a lot of people are going to do. Law enforcement can also use this. The counties came into us with Senator Schellpeper's bill of LB 1092 and it proposed and had done a study, and this study was one done on the cost that it takes to put on liens, to note those liens on titles, the cost of the paperwork, and how much revenue was generated at the county level, and finding that it cost the county much more to perform those services than what they were actually getting in fees and, thus, property tax was picking up the load to do that. After taking both of those bills, we combined them and you will see the nine major changes in filing fees, and I will go through them with you briefly. The first one is the reinstatement fee following a revocation of an operator's license. Your operator's license is revoked for, let's say, driving while intoxicated, loss of points and so on, you have to get your operator's license reinstated. Right now that currently costs you \$50. They propose a hundred dollar increase. The second is the issuance of what we used to call the old prestige plate. No longer is it called prestige plate. They are now called message plates. They have become more of a tool for revenue raising, and you will see that that fee actually goes down, so this is not a totally increasing fee bill. The current fee is \$75 for the issuance of that, and then there is a \$35 renewal fee each year. The Department of Motor Vehicles, doing some studies, doing some comparisons, found that when the fees were roughly over \$25, the use of these message plates went down. In states that had message fees of around \$25 or less, the use of those, more people bought them. More people buying them found that you could make about 400,000 for each percentage point of usage that increases, and the Department of Motor Vehicles did some studies of some other states where they had lowered their fees, found a lot more people bought them. So, in effect, you could lower the fee and raise more money through the use of that. And that was fairly well documented to the committee through the testimony. The renewal of the message plate is also reduced from \$35 to \$27, so it is uniform. If you are going to get it the first time, it is \$27, and then it is \$27 for each year after that. The fourth fee increase is the certified copy of any official record from the Department of Motor Vehicles. This is not the driver record abstracts. This isn't when you go in to get your operator's license, and they push in the information into a computer, and it spits out what your abstract is, that will not be charged at \$5. In fact, we reduced that fee a few years ago and that is what got us into the cash flow crunch. The fifth major change is the Class O