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which will work out great. Another thing that...take in consideration, we will get a new type of a plate starting in January 2005, so this is just coming out just right for this, so the new plate will last for six years then, in place of three. So I think it makes a lot of sense, and I think...I'd like to have support on this. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Jones. As stated by the Clerk, there are committee amendments, offered by Transportation Committee. Senator Baker, as Chairman of that committee, you're recognized to open on those committee amendments.

SENATOR BAKER: Thank you, Senator Cudaback and members. The committee amendment changes that life of the license plate from five years to six years. There are a number of reasons for doing this. The Department of Corrections has signed a six-year lease agreement with the provider of the equipment out there to make these new plates. And it so happened that this all happened the same time the bill was being discussed in committee. So we felt it was prudent to amend the bill to go to the six-year cycle, corresponding thereby with what the Department of Corrections has signed with the provider of the equipment. It also...the committee amendment also provides that anyone...fleets registered under the International Registration Plan simply have to maintain their records at three years. The green copy of the bill said to extend it to five, I believe. But it strikes that and stays with original language of three years. That is the committee amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Baker. You've heard the opening on the committee amendments. Open for discussion on those amendments. Senator Wehrbein, did you wish to address the committee amendments?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, Mr. President, and the bill. I'd like to ask Senator Jones a question.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Jones, would you respond to a question?

SENATOR JONES: Yes, I will.