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SENATOR BAKER: That's correct. Aluminum, flat, not embossed.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Rather than some other heavier kind of metal?

SENATOR BAKER: They're...

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Or am I mischaracterizing?

SENATOR BAKER: ...an aluminum alloy, very lightweight, strong. They're not embossed; they're flat, so that they don't...

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Right.

SENATOR BAKER: ...distort them when they engrossed them...or embossed them before. Not engrossed them, embossed them.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: My question is, really, are they...do they have as long a shelf life as the older license plates do?

SENATOR BAKER: Actually, yes, they would. But we don't anticipate storing so many plates, because this new process, you can simply request a plate and have it a couple days later.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: I guess shelf life wasn't the right word to use. If they're on...affixed to an automobile, will they last as long as the older license plates?

SENATOR BAKER: I, myself, I think they'd last longer.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Okay.

SENATOR BAKER: They have a...it's a digital process, and then it's covered with...encased with a plastic resin-type material. I think they should be better than the old plates, because those were simply painted on, I think, and they wore off.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Right. And I did read the article in the paper the other day about them, and it was...it went into quite a bit of detail. But I didn't know if they would be as strong. And then I don't know if I should ask you this. I...following