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Specialty Designed Vintage Reproduction Registration Plates (HB0313)

Testimony of Delegate Marc Korman-Favorable

Thank you, Madame Vice Chair and members of the committee. I come before you today to present House Bill 313.

This legislation will promote and preserve Maryland's automotive heritage. It allows drivers who are interested in doing so to pay a little bit extra to display the vintage license plate first used in Maryland in 1910.

House Bill 313 includes a clear fee structure for the issuance and renewal of these plates: \$100 for the initial issuance and \$25 for each renewal. These fees are designed to recover the MVA's costs for developing, issuing, and managing the plates, while contributing to the state's transportation infrastructure through the Transportation Trust Fund.

The bill will not impact the state's Bay Plate or Ag Tag, which I know are important to members of this committee. Unlike those plates, MVA has assured us that the historic tag will be available in a manner similar to other specialty plates like those you can obtain with the Oriole bird or an organization you are associated with. I have coordinated closely with the Chesapeake Bay Trust and the Agricultural Foundation to ensure no impact and have invited them to testify today.

House Bill 313 is a balanced and practical legislation and I urge a favorable report.