



Connecticut Council of Car Clubs
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Transportation Committee
Room 2300, Legislative Office Building
Hartford, Connecticut 06106

Subject: Opposition to the Portion of House Bill 6495, "An Act Concerning Revisions to the Motor Vehicle Statutes," that eliminates the use of Year of Manufacture Plates

Dear State Senator/Representative:

The Connecticut Council of Car Clubs (4C's) is an association of approximately 35 Connecticut Car Clubs that monitors legislation in the state. We represent on the order of 2000 antique auto hobbyists in Connecticut. The 4C's Board of Directors is comprised of volunteer auto hobbyists.

The 4C's is opposed to the Section 9 of House Bill 6495 that proposes to eliminate the use of year of manufacture registration plates on antique, rare or special interest motor vehicles. The history of motor vehicle registration plates in Connecticut is considerable. An excellent compendium of this history is available at <http://www.ctplates.info>. Maintaining the ability of antique, rare or special interest motor vehicles to display year of manufacture plates helps preserve this history.

In 2000, the 4C's was the group behind the effort to allow the use of year of manufacture plates (Public Act 00-169, Section 21). At least 45 states in the United States, including Connecticut, currently allow the use of year of manufacture plates. Antique auto hobbyists in Connecticut would like to continue to maintain the option to display year of manufacture plates on our antique, rare or special interest motor vehicles.

The 4C's respectfully requests that the Transportation Committee delete the portion of House Bill 6495 that eliminates the use of year of manufacture plates on antique, rare or special interest motor vehicles.

Very Truly Yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dave A. Bajumpaa".

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