

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, Mr. Speaker, members of the body, four names we'd like you to confirm. First to the Board of Education Lands and Funds, Richard Powell. Dr. Powell is an optometrist here in the City of Omaha...or Lincoln, excuse me, who has been very involved in lots of activities. Many people know him from his involvement on other legislative issues. He's being appointed to the Education Lands and Funds Board. Second group are to the Nebraska Education Telecommunications Commission, Sharon Rankin from Chadron, one of the representatives from the Third District; Harold McClure, representing community colleges; and a woman by the name of Arlene Nelson, and nobody seemed to know much about this woman, Arlene Nelson, but she did come in and made a favorable impression on the committee and the committee did, in fact, suggest that we approve her nomination and so on and so forth. And so we're recommending a favorable confirmation vote on all of these appointments. Thank you very much.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Withem. Any other discussion? Seeing none, do you wish to close, Senator Withem?

SENATOR WITHEM: No.

SPEAKER BAACK: We will now vote on the adoption of the confirmation report. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of the confirmation report.

SPEAKER BAACK: The confirmation report is adopted. Before we continue, I would like to introduce some guests of the Legislature today. They are guests of Senator Withem. We have 21 eighth grade students from St. Columbkille in Papillion, and their teacher. Would you...and they're in the south balcony. Would you folks please stand and be welcomed by the Legislature. Thank you for being here. And also I would like to introduce from Senator Wesely's district the doctor of the day is Dr. Joe Kinzey, and he's under the north balcony. Would you please stand and be welcomed by the Legislature. Thank you for being here. We will now proceed to Item 7 on the agenda and General File with the Revenue package, and LB 815.