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PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator. Discussion on the first portion of the divided question, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, having said enough on the other appointees, I just want to make it clear that the no vote I cast against this man has nothing to do with him personally. Since I've been making that disclaimer, I need to make it each time I vote against one of these appointments, when I do not have a reason based on the person's lack of suitability.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Seeing no further discussion, Senator Schimek, you're recognized to close. Senator Schimek waives closing. The question before us is the confirmation of Keith Fickenschner as the Director of the Department of Veterans Affairs. All those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 32 ayes, 1 nay on the adoption of that portion of the report, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The appointment is confirmed. Now for the second section of the divided question, is there any discussion? Senator Schimek, you're recognized to close.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: I'd simply ask for approval of these appointments. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator. The question before us is the confirmation of the appointment of Lauren Hill and Lori McClurg. All those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record.

CLERK: 38 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the report.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The appointments are confirmed. Mr. Clerk, next item.

CLERK: Mr. President, (LB) 150, a bill originally introduced by Senator Chris Peterson. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 7, referred to the Transportation