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probably could go on the rest of the morning with this and, as far as I'm concerned, we can. I just have that much opposition to the process. I think we've gotten off the track. We're talking about the...many people here are talking about the compact, they're talking about the problems with siting, they're talking about what happened to us and why we got where we've gotten. The question here today is the appointment, confirmation of the appointment of Dr. Thorson. Senator Kristensen echoed my feelings, too. I don't want to come up here in a bashing position against Dr. Thorson, because I don't think that is right. I think he is eminently well qualified. But that doesn't mean that that automatically goes to him, that position, because of his qualifications. I think we have a great number of people from Nebraska, native Nebraskans, who are as qualified, and who can do as good a job, and who will be accepted by the people that they're going to be representing, which at this point Dr. Thorson is not. The people in Boyd County and the people in Nuckolls and Nemaha did not approve this appointment. They could not. Dr. Thorson was invited to Boyd County numerous times, and near as I know never has been there. This is going to be the final site, evidently. Those people deserve to be represented by someone that they have faith in, and that is not what is happening here. And qualification is beside itself, I don't believe that that is the final word as far as appointments are concerned. And besides that, I think there are a number of people out there who are ever bit as qualified, may not have quite as good a resume, but who have the qualifications, the legal knowledge and the ability to represent us and who are native Nebraskans, as someone suggested, that may not be leaving the state because they don't get the appointment. You know, the whole situation to me, we got off the subject. We started talking about the difficulties with the whole process, and yet we aren't talking about the confirmation process, and this is what the issue is today, should the man be confirmed or shouldn't he, and should he be on the basis of the hearings or shouldn't he. And that's where I think the issue is. We've gotten away from that. Today I believe we should be talking about the confirmation process and the opposition to the confirmation. And I'm not going to support it and I'm going to support this bracket motion and I hope you will, too. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. I'm going down the same list that I had before the priority motion came on. If you wish to speak about the bracketing, okay, if not, just let me know. Senator