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committee of the '90s because there is no more important fundamental issue than natural resources that is at the heart of our state, and it is very important, I think, that we work together to find solutions to water contamination, soil erosion, air contamination, the issues of solid waste has been mentioned and they are all very important to our state, and they are important decisions that have to be made and, quite frankly, in the 1990s. And I look forward to having an opportunity to chair this very important committee in the next two years. Thank you.

PRESIDENT NICHOL: Are there other nominations? If not, the ballots are on your desk. Please vote on them, and, again, we have three running, so that if one should have 25 votes or more the first round, they will be the winner. If not, we will drop the lower of the three and vote again. Please vote and the Clerk will pick up your ballots. Senator Schrock, will you help us this time, and Senator Lynch, and, Senator Emil Beyer, would you help us tabulate the votes, please? I understand that Senator Johnson and Senator Schmit have the high votes, however, neither has 25 so we will now vote on chairman between Senator Schmit and Senator Rod Johnson. So you have your ballots in front of you. Please mark them and the Clerk will pick them up. For tellers this time, shall we please have Senator Pirsch, Senator Schimek, and Senator Hillman. As soon as you have cast your ballots, if you would come forward and tabulate the results. Thank you. Senator Hefner, Senator Schimek is busy on the phone, would you serve in her stead on this count, please. Thank you. The Clerk has advised me that Senator Rod Johnson has been elected as Chairman of Natural Resources. Congratulations, Senator Rod Johnson. It is amazing how somebody with a broken leg can run and win. Congratulations to you. Revenue Committee, please. Senator Hefner, please.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, I would like to place my name for nomination for the Revenue Committee, for the Legislature's Revenue Committee. This is my fifteenth year in the Legislature and I have served 14 years on the Revenue Committee, served 14 years as Vice-Chairman of the Revenue Committee, and during these years, I have come to know the many tax issues that we have before us. I will be fair and honest to all members of the committee and to all members of the Legislature and to those people that come before the committee to testify. And so here today I offer my name for nomination of Chairman of the Revenue Committee and would appreciate your support. Thank you.