

on...he served on the public power boards for several years with me, and he is a very dedicated individual. So I would just support his confirmation for this seat. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Schellpeper. Anyone else wishing to discuss? Senator Bernard-Stevens.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Just briefly, I am not going to comment on either of the party sides, but I have known "Doc" Kloepping for a long, long time, as I was growing up in the Cozad area, and one of the things I do know are not only his qualifications but his sincere desire to be of service to the people of Nebraska. And I think whenever we can tap the services and knowledge of people like this, we should jump at the chance, and I would urge the confirmation at this time.

SPEAKER BAACK: Any other discussion? Senator Dierks, do you wish to close on the confirmation report? Waives closing. We will now proceed to vote on the confirmation report as offered by the Education Committee. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 31 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the confirmation report.

SPEAKER BAACK: The confirmation report is approved. Before we proceed to the next item, I would like to introduce today, our doctor of the day is from Senator Beutler's district. His name is Barry Hoover from here in Lincoln. So, Dr. Hoover, would you please stand and be welcomed by the Legislature. Thank you for being with us. Also some guests of Senator Ashford in the south balcony, we have 18 fourth graders from the Brownell-Talbot School in Omaha, and their teacher. Would you folks please stand and be welcomed by the Legislature. Thank you for being with us. Mr. Clerk, item seven, LB 355.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 355 introduced by Senator Ashford. (Read title.) The bill has been discussed by the Legislature on a couple of occasions. There has been an amendment adopted that was offered by Senator Chizek to the bill. On April 4, Mr. President, Senator Will made a motion to indefinitely postpone the bill. Senator Ashford laid the bill over. That motion is pending, Mr. President. However, I do have a priority motion. Senator Ashford would move to bracket LB 355 until May 8.