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Business and Labor Committee, to produce good legislation for the body as a whole, to put each of you hopefully in a win-win situation when that legislation does come to the floor. I've enjoyed my membership on that committee in the past, I've enjoyed being Vice Chairman of that committee, and I ask for your vote. Thank you very much.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Hilgert. Senator Chris Peterson.

SENATOR C. PETERSON: Madam Chairman, members of the body, I also rise to place my name in nomination for Chairman of the Business and Labor Committee. And I could certainly go on about the same qualities that are required in a chairmanship that my two fellow senators have already reflected upon. I reflected a long time about whether to enter this race and what contributions I could bring to the committee and how I could best serve Nebraska and the Legislature. And I firmly believe that strong, positive leadership in the Business and Labor Committee is necessary. As they have mentioned, there are complex and controversial issues that certainly come before the committee, and there are not going to be easy solutions, and they are going to require a lot of care, a lot of talk, a lot of give and take, a lot of getting everyone to the table. But they are issues that have to be addressed. We cannot continue to not move forward on those issues. Business and Labor, intertwined as they are, just by their very names, can have opposing sides right off the bat. So what we have to do is address the issues of concerns between employees and employers. And we have to do that through a process that is equitable, that's fair, and that's open, so that everyone feels that they are part of that process, and that they are an integral part of the solution. In the years that I have served in the Legislature, I would hope that you've come to know the quality of the work that I do and my honesty and my integrity, and also that I would move forward in a positive way, because everybody, as we all know, has a point of view, and most issues have at least two points of view, probably more than that. My goal would be to work with all factions, to seek and create a solution that would have everyone's support. And I hope that I've earned your confidence, and I would truly appreciate your vote. Thank you.