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LB 90A

the Highway Information Technology Commission one appointment that was proposed, a Joyce Wren (phonetic) from Omaha, who declined the appointment, and then the second appointment was made in her place, and that was Merrill Bryan Jr, so in all fairness, I needed to mention that. I have nothing more to add. I'd simply ask the body to consider ratifying these appointments. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Bromm. The question before us is the adoption of the Transportation Committee confirmation report found on Journal page 724. All those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 2 nays on adoption of the report, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The confirmation report is approved. Mr. Clerk, General File appropriation bills.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 90A by Senator Cudaback. (Read title.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Is anyone present authorized to handle LB 90A on behalf of Senator Cudaback? Senator Bromm.

SENATOR BROMM: Thank you, Lieutenant Governor. I wasn't aware that Senator Cudaback wasn't going to be here, so bear with me for just a minute. But this is an A bill which is a follow-up to the abandoned vehicle bill and needs to catch up with it, I think, because that bill is on Final Reading at this point in time. This bill calls for an appropriation for the years '99-2000 of 30,750 of General Funds, and in 2000-2001, 30,750, and so we would simply ask that the body consider approving LB 90A and moving it along. This would be required because the State Patrol estimates that there are about 300 abandoned and unclaimed vehicles per year that could fall within their jurisdiction, and the annual cost of notifying owners, towing, and storage is 30,750. And now there will be...there will certainly be revenues received from the sale or salvage of vehicles, and it's expected that the proceeds of the revenues would equal or exceed the A bill. So with that explanation, I