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the review of the plans and specifications. The State Energy Office will consult with the State Building Administrator of DAS to adopt and promote rules. I can tell you the...the university will probably come in on Select File and say, remember, Board of Exon decision, you can't tell us what to do, we'll, of course, try to be helpful on energy conservation, but you can't make us do this, so shouldn't you write us out. So my guess is we'll have that kind of an amendment. Supporters included the Nebraska Citizen Action Network, the Nebraska Municipal Public Power Pool, the UNL College of Architecture, and Joslyn Castle, with Dean Cecil Steward, who represents the College of Architecture and this was his own, I think, personal view that he was taking, and then Susan Pickel from Pickel and Sons Construction Company. The Building Division was neutral and the Energy Office was neutral because the administration told them to be neutral. But it's a darn good idea and the...this is an example where we should set a high example for everyone else. Energy conservation pays for itself in the long run, we all know that, and why we would be building buildings that weren't energy efficient would be beyond me. I ask for the adoption...or the advancement of 755, knowing, I believe, that there are some committee amendments that Senator Schrock will be taking. I've looked them over and I think they're...they serve us very well and I endorse the committee amendments.

**SPEAKER KRISTENSEN:** Senator Schrock, you're recognized to open on the committee amendment. (Standing Committee amendment AM0938 is found on page 1168 of the Legislative Journal.)

**SENATOR SCHROCK:** Mr. Speaker. Thank you, Senator Landis. You've kind of explained the bill quite well. Maybe not "kind of", you've done a very good job of explaining the bill. The committee amendments contain the suggestions by the Department of Energy and Capital Planning and Construction Group of the state of Nebraska Building Division. The amendment basically eliminates the provisions in LB 755 to leased buildings and retains the requirement that new state buildings and building additions meet or exceed the requirements of the International Energy Conservation Code. It also retains the requirement that all new buildings constructed in whole or in part with state funds after January 1, 2000, meet or exceed this code. I would also tell you that the International Energy Conservation Code