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appointments...certain gubernatorial appointments.

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Bromm, to open on the confirmation report.

SENATOR BROMM: Thank you, Senator Crosby. Yes, I would like to propose to the body the confirmation of these four proposed appointees. First of all, Steven Schafer, who has been serving in the past, the past several months as Chief Information Officer for the state of Nebraska. He...he was appointed by the previous Governor, in April of last year, or rather in the summer of last year, and has served during the present Governor's term so far in that capacity. He's had various other positions with the state of Nebraska, with DAS and other related agencies. If anyone would be interested, I have...I have the rundown on that. He does...I think he's very well qualified for this position. This position is, I think, becoming more and more important as it is an effort to try to coordinate the telecommunications...the communications and the...the computer services with the various state agencies. And so he's kind of head of that...of that board which was created by legislation last year. The second appointee is Darold Tagge, and he is being recommended to the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards. And this is a long-standing board that deals with highway requirements and conditions. And he comes from a fairly extensive experience in that area of engineering and road engineering and so forth for airport authorities for various towns and subdivisions in the state of Nebraska. He is an engineer. And I would recommend his appointment that that position as well. The third appointee is Paula Wolfson-Kessler. And Ms. Wolfson-Kessler is being recommended to the Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board. And again this is one of our statutory boards that we have seen in this state for quite some time. She is a finance manager for an automobile used car dealership in Omaha, Wolfson Used Cars. She graduated from the University of Nebraska in finance, and also attended San Jose State in finance. It seems that her background is very suitable for serving on this licensing board. The last nominee is for the Nebraska Highway Bond Commission, and that proposed appointee is Norm Riffel, and that may be a name that many of you have heard or been familiar with. He's a...he's been in the moving business for a number of years. He started his own