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assistance in the business community and with the rural co-ops and others. They were there at the table and Howard was...Harlan was very good in helping to work with them, with all of the various responders and players who were at the table, not only from the business community but the volunteer and professional firefighters and others. That group on the SERC and the interim study has done an exceptional job. NEMA, the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency, under General Heng and Retired General Fran Laden, has also been good to work with, and through the discussion and the original bill have been supportive, working cooperatively to advance the cause of planning and preparation. I appreciate what they have also done. The business community has gotten involved. I think after this they are likely to be continuing that involvement because I will be encouraging it and willing to work with them on an ongoing basis. I hope that as each of my colleagues continues this dialogue with their local emergency managers,...

SENATOR CROSBY: One minute.

SENATOR PREISTER: ...that they will learn more themselves about the issue, that they will not only educate themselves but will work on educating more people within their districts, particularly in some of the rural areas. With that, I will relinquish the remainder of my time and thank the President for allowing me to.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Preister. Any further discussion on the advancement of LB 717? Seeing none, Senator Preister, do you wish to close? He waives closing. The question is the advancement to E & R Initial of LB 717. All in favor vote aye, opposed no. Record please.

CLERK: 36 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on the advancement of LB 717.

SENATOR CROSBY: The bill advances. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Madam President, a couple of items, if I may. I have a Reference Report...

SENATOR CROSBY: Items for the record.