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however, we decided that we would continue to use our Tax Commissioner, who has served above and beyond the call of duty with the work that she's done, and add to that a legislative representative, so that the Nebraska delegation would be of two members. The legislative representative would be appointed by the Executive Board, and so our representative would be the Tax Commissioner and the legislative representative, and that would be the Nebraska delegation to the Streamlined Project governance board. Those are the committee amendments. They renumber the sections in the definition of "lease or rental" to be consistent with the agreement, and they take that matter. Then there's another amendment after that, because of a little drafting error, and I think we'll get to that in a moment. I would ask the adoption of AM0072, the Revenue Committee amendments.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Landis. You've heard the opening on the committee amendments. There are several lights on. Senator Janssen, did you wish to? Senator Brashear.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Mr. President, members of the body, while it's not exactly about the amendments, it's close enough. Senator Landis, I listened carefully to what you said, as I have listened to our former colleague, Senator Wickersham, on this subject, so it's not personal to you at all. I have a concern. I am not rising in opposition because I'm not that certain of myself, but, likewise, I'm not rising in support. And so what I'm proposing is that we might take a little time to think about the pros and the cons. What I always hear, and you did your usual eloquent job, I always hear how good this is going to be; the Streamlined...the result, the work product of the Streamlined Project will be so good for us if, if, if, as, as, as, and when, when, when. My concern is for Nebraska, as I know yours is, Senator Landis, and my concern is that we have some degree of certainty that if, as, and when we sign up for the project we know it's going to do that which it theoretically is supposed to do, we know we want to be on board, we know that it will achieve a greater good than bad or failure, and we are a lot more certain than I have ever felt about what the unintended consequences will be and what the cost of those consequences will be. There's no question but what the project would allow Nebraska to enter into agreements to collect sales taxes from