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Investment Council. And we would ask for your support.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Stuhr. Any senator wishing to speak on the confirmation report presented by Senator Stuhr? There are no lights on. Senator Stuhr, did you wish to close on your confirmation report? She waives the opportunity to close. The question before the body is the confirmation report offered by the Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee. All in favor of the report vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted who wish to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Record vote, Legislative Journal pages 1109-1110.) 30 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of the confirmation report.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The Nebraska Retirement Systems confirmation report was adopted. Mr. Clerk, we now go to General File, 2003 senator priority bills. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 626. Senator Landis had filed a motion prior to the bill's reading and title reading to indefinitely postpone. That motion is pending. Senator Landis would like to withdraw, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: So ordered.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 626 was a bill introduced by Senator Preister. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 21, referred to the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee for public hearing. The bill was advanced to General File. There are committee amendments, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Preister, you're recognized to open on LB 626.

SENATOR PREISTER: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. The headline reads, "Curious times: Progress is far too slow in supervising state contracts with private companies." Omaha World-Herald, 10-14 of '02. It goes on to say, "the situation is so lamentable that almost any improvement would be welcome. The long-standing neglect of this issue ranks as one