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CLERK: (Record vote, Legislative Journal page 2131.) 39 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of the confirmation report as offered by the General Affairs Committee.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The motion was successful. The report has been adopted. Mr. Clerk, next item.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next report by Health and Human Services involves the appointment of Nancy Oltman to the Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Jensen, Chairman of the Health and Human Services Committee, you're recognized to open.

SENATOR JENSEN: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Legislature, the Health and Human Services Committee desires to report favorably upon the appointment of the following person to the Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired. Nancy Oltman is a new appointment for the two-year term on the commission. She is a medical transcriptionist from Hastings. She has served in various positions on the National Federation of the Blind, and currently serves as second vice president. She has served on the board of the Grand Island chapter of the National Federation of the Blind, and currently serves as vice president there. She has been active in pursuing opportunities to speak to grade school children about blindness, encourage senior blind persons in daily activities that are routine for sighted persons, and teaching senior blind persons to crochet. Ms. Oltman was unable to appear personally before the committee. Senator Burling offered written testimony to the committee in support of her appointment. The committee suggests that this appointment be confirmed by the Legislature with a record vote. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Jensen. You've heard the opening on the report offered by the Health and Human Services Committee, Senator Jensen. Open for discussion on that report. Seeing no lights on, Senator. He waives the opportunity to close. The question before the body is adoption of the confirmation report offered by the Health and Human Services