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SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Friend. Senator Louden, on the confirmation report.

SENATOR LOUDEN: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the body. Of the appointments that we have made down here and have confirmed, why, probably Mr. Baker is the closest one that I've had any contact with, since he's from Scottsbluff area and he runs an organization that tests for a lot of these chemicals and that sort of thing. And they were some of the lead group that tested when cars of benzene upset in Scottsbluff. And they're still doing some of the testing for it. They take in the samples and send them away to some of the chem labs to be analyzed to see whether or not it's moving in the ground water, and which way the benzene is moving. As Senator Chambers mentioned, he didn't know Mr. Baker from Adam's off ox, and I know how he would probably feel, because most of these people, I don't know them, other than the chance when we have to interview them when they come to testify at our hearing is the only time. But I think on this instance, I feel very sure that Mr. Baker is well qualified for the job that he's been appointed to, and I'm certainly going to vote for his confirmation.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Louden. Any further discussion on the confirmation report offered by the Natural Resources Committee? Any further debate? Seeing none, Senator Schrock, you're recognized to close on your report.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I would remind the body we are voting on John Baker to be confirmed to the Environmental Quality Council.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schrock. Mr. Clerk, read the motion before us, please.

CLERK: Mr. President, the motion is to approve the confirmation report of Mr. John T. Baker to the Environmental Quality Council.

SENATOR CUDABACK: You've heard the motion, stated by the Clerk. All in favor of such motion vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted who care to on the confirmation report offered by the