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makeup of the board must include an engineer, a lawyer, an accountant, and two other members of the public. Mr. Kohtz, if confirmed, will become the attorney on the board. Mr. Kohtz is a resident of Waverly, which is in Legislative District 25. Although I was unable to attend his confirmation hearing before the committee last Wednesday, I reviewed his application packet and the statement he prepared for the hearing. He is obviously, being a resident of District 25, highly qualified for this position, with a very respectable background in the practice of law. And he's impressed me with his motivation to serve. I'm pleased to lend my support to his appointment to the Nebraska Power Review Board. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Raikes. Further discussion of the confirmation report? Seeing no lights on, Senator Schrock, did you wish to close on your report? You may close.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Mr. President, notwithstanding the district that Mr. Kohtz lives in, I still recommend the confirmation. (Laughter)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you. You've heard the closing on the report. The question before the body is, shall the confirmation report offered by the Natural Resources Committee be adopted? All in favor vote aye; opposed, nay. We're voting on the confirmation report offered by the Natural Resources Committee. Have you all voted who care to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Record vote, Legislative Journal pages 389-390.) 34 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of the confirmation report.

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

CLERK: Mr. President, a report from the Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee, involving the appointment of John Maddux to the Nebraska Investment Council.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Chairperson Stuhr,