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SENATOR ERDMAN: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Legislature, I'd like to thank Senator Fischer for her explanation on the underlying bill which is the committee amendment, and I appreciate her bringing it. I think it clarifies the process. I think it makes it a little better process and I think it will also contribute to a more clean and fair process for the Public Service Commission to administer. So I appreciate her willingness to bring that to the committee. It actually is a provision that falls right under line with LB 735, and so we as a committee believe that it fits well within the underlying bill of LB 52, and I would encourage your support of the committee amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Erdman. You've heard the closing on the committee amendments to LB 52. The question before the body is, shall they be adopted? All in favor vote aye; opposed, nay. The question before the body is adoption of the committee amendments to LB 52. Have you all voted on the question who care to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 33 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of committee amendments.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The motion was successful. The amendments have been adopted. Back to discussion of the advancement of LB 52, E & R Initial. Open for discussion. Senator Erdman, there are no lights on. You may close on the advancement of LB 52, if you care to.

SENATOR ERDMAN: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Legislature, briefly I'd just like to thank you for your attention this morning. I appreciate your support on the committee amendment. I appreciate your support on the underlying bill. The underlying bill is the result of a process that began with a group that worked together to pass LB 735 and now we're clarifying some of the things that need to be...to be further clarified. And the work of the research analyst for the committee, Rick Leonard, is well-noted in the proposal here, so I want to thank him for his work, and would encourage you to advance LB 52 to E & R.