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SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Raikes, as Chairman of Education Committee, you're recognized to open on the first report.

SENATOR RAIKES: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the Legislature. The Education Committee is pleased to bring you, for your consideration for confirmation, two members who would serve on the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education. Let me just remind you the commission consists of 11 members appointed by the Governor, with the approval of the majority of the Legislature. One member is chosen from each of the six Supreme Court judicial districts, and then five members are chosen on a statewide basis. The term is six years. Both of the appointments we have to consider today are terms shorter than that, so they're filling...finishing terms that were not completed. The first person, Marilyn Harris, I'll tell you about. She earned a Ph.D. in Administration, Curriculum and Instruction from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln; currently works at the Harris Training Group here in Lincoln, an organization that she founded. She's currently involved with several community and professional organizations, including serving as a Lincoln Public Schools trustee, the UNMC Board of Counselors, and others. She appeared before the committee for the confirmation hearing. I would strongly urge your support of her appointment. James Strand earned master's degrees both in Psychology and Business Administration from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. He's a retired telecommunications executive; served on the College of Fine Arts advisory board at UNL, the Nebraska Wesleyan Board of Governors, and a number of other important community service organizations. Again, Mr. Strand also appeared before the committee for the confirmation hearing, and I would again urge your...strongly urge your support of both of these nominees. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Raikes. You've heard the opening on the first report offered by the Education Committee. Open for discussion on that report. Senator Raikes, there are no senators wishing to speak. He waives opportunity to close. The question before the body is, shall the confirmation report, offered by the Education Committee, be adopted? All in favor