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care to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Record vote, Legislative Journal pages 603-604.) 26 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of the report, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Report has been adopted. Next report, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee would report on Steve McCollister to the Accountability and Disclosure Commission. That report is in the Journal on page 583.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Chairperson Schimek of the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee, you're recognized to open on your first report.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you, Mr. President and members. The Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee had their hearing last week on Steve McCollister for appointment to the Accountability and Disclosure Commission. We had a good hearing, and I'll tell you a little bit about Mr. McCollister's background, although I'm sure that some of you know him or know of him. He's a graduate of West Side High School in Omaha, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, and has an employment history of owning Archer Petroleum in Omaha from 2000 to the present. Worked for McCollister and Company for about ten years and also worked for US WEST Communications as a business development manager and strategic planning manager. He has many, many community activities, which I won't go into, but he is a member and past chairman of the Douglas County Board of Commissioners and a candidate for mayor in Omaha, also served on the Douglas County Commissioners for almost eight years. During his public service, he also served on the Metro Area Planning Agency, National Association of Regional Councils, Douglas County Board of Health, Economic Development Committee, and the Douglas County Hospital Board. Highly qualified, and the committee gave him their unanimous endorsement for appointment to the Accountability and Disclosure Commission.