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SENATOR CUDABACK: With no objection, seeing no objection, it is withdrawn. Senator Schrock, you're recognized.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, at some point during the session I want to know where people stand on this issue, and if a vote needs to be taken to find that out, I think we should do it. I think the sportsmen of this state deserve to know where we stand on this issue. When an issue like this passes by an 80 percent majority in states with similar demographics, and we have been requested to put this on the ballot for their vote, I think we should do it. I don't know about you, but I was elected to do the will of the people of my legislative district and of the state of Nebraska, so I take this very seriously. I think we deserve to let them know where we stand, and I think you as a state senator need to let them know and need to let me know where you stand on this issue, and so I will be asking where you stand on this issue. Now, I want to make that perfectly clear. Now, nobody should feel threatened by this because there's 35 or 36 of us that will probably never run another election for the Legislature or, for that matter, any other public office. I see young Chris Langemeier down there. He might have a wonderful future. He might be in Washington someday. But I know what I'm going to be doing. I'm going to be spending time with my grandkids and doing a little traveling with my wife. And there's days when I'm down here now when I think I should be doing the other now. So...so maybe Mike Flood has got better aspirations, but I'm old enough to be your father, and so it's time for me to hang it up pretty soon. And I appreciate that because I have sons your age and what a joy it is to be around people your age and to have your youthful enthusiasm. So, like I said, I'm interested in this. I think the state of Nebraska and the sportsmen need to know where you stand on this, so I'm going to be asking questions. Not a threat; I just think we need to know where everything is at. I thank you for your time.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schrock. Mr. Clerk, a motion.

CLERK: Mr. President, I do have other amendments, and I do have a priority motion. Senator Brashear, as Speaker, would ask