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SENATOR CUDABACK PRESIDING

SENATOR CUDABACK: Good morning. Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. Our chaplain this morning is Pastor Evie Johnson. Pastor.

PASTOR JOHNSON: (Prayer offered.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: We thank you, Pastor, for being with us. The Pastor represents the United Methodist Churches of Tecumseh and Sterling, in Tecumseh, Nebraska; Senator Heidemann's district, District 1. Thank you for being with us. I call the sixty-second day of the Ninety-Ninth Legislature, First Session, to order. Senators, please check in. Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: I have a quorum present, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Are there any corrections for the Journal?

CLERK: I have no corrections, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Messages, reports, or announcements?

CLERK: Mr. President, reports received include from Health and Human Services System, the Investment Council, the Ombudsman's Office, and the Department of Roads. Those will be on file in the Clerk's Office. The report of registered lobbyists for this week to be inserted, Mr. President. And an announcement: Business and Labor will have an Executive Session at 9:15 underneath the north balcony; Business and Labor at 9:15. That's all that I had, Mr. President. (Legislative Journal pages 1201-1202.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Also, at noon, in honor of Senator Schrock and his wife Judy's anniversary, there will be some refreshments or whatever supplied in the...and he's a little short of money so Cudaback will be paying some of the bill for this particular event. So anyway, make plans to have a little bite to eat at noon. Thank you. Mr. Clerk, next agenda item, legislative confirmation report, Education Committee report. Mr. Clerk.