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SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Mr. President and members. This particular nominee is also, I think, very well equipped to be reappointed to the Accountability and Disclosure Commission. And I have to tell you that she actually came before the committee in the summer of 2002, when she was appointed to fill a vacancy. And Kim Quandt was reappointed this time, also by the Secretary of State, John Gale. She lives in Sidney, and has a law degree, and works in a firm out there. She's been very involved in her community, through the health center foundation, chamber of commerce, county drug court, country club, Foster Care Review Board, and others. She seems eminently qualified. She was unable to attend our hearing. And we have a pretty strong rule about that in Government Committee. We want to see these people in person. But we make allowances when...especially for distance, and especially if we've already had them in person before us once before. So Secretary of State John Gale came in on her behalf. She did send a letter to us, an e-mail, letting us know that she was very interested in serving again, that she takes her duties very seriously, and strives to be neutral and fair in all decision making. So we, again, felt very, very comfortable in forwarding her name to the body for their vote. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schimek. You've heard the opening on the second report by the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee. Open for discussion. Senator Schimek, there...Senator Schimek waives closing. The question before the body is adoption of the second confirmation report by the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee. All in favor of the report vote aye; those opposed to the report vote nay. We're voting on the adoption of the confirmation report offered by Chairperson Schimek of the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee. Have you all voted on the question who care to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Record vote, Legislative Journal page 1581.)  
31 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of the report, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The report has been adopted. We now go to Final Reading, state claims and budget bills. Members, as you