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Legislature. Good morning. I'll do this in four different reports because they're in four different commissions. But the first is the Health and Human Services Committee desires to report favorably upon the following four appointments to the Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. The committee suggests that appointments be confirmed by the Legislature and suggests also a record vote. The first is Mary Ann Burke, a new appointee for a three-year term ending January 31, 2008, from Bellevue. Unable to appear in person, Senator Cornett appeared before the committee in support for her appointment. Ms. Burke is a lab assistant in sign language at Metro Community College, a graduate of the Iowa School for the Deaf. The second one is Michael Carruthers, a new appointment for a three-year term ending January 30, 2008. He is a retired teacher who is hard of hearing and lives in Minden. He is also a CASA volunteer. The third is Daniel Darnall, a reappointment for a three-year term ending January 31, 2008, who was also unable to appear. Senator Howard appeared in support of his appointment. He is a graduate of the Nebraska School for the Deaf and a mentor for persons who are deaf and hard of hearing. Number four is Luana Duennerman, a new appointment for a four-year term ending January 31, 2009. She is deaf, lives in Lincoln. She is employed with the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service, Department of Homeland Security, as a program analyst assistant. I would ask for confirmation of these four appointees to the Commission of Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Open for discussion on the first confirmation report by Health and Human Services Committee. Seeing no lights on, Senator Jensen waives closing. The question before the body is adoption of the first report offered by the confirmation report of Health and Human Services Committee. All in favor vote aye; opposed vote nay. We're voting on the first confirmation report offered by the Health and Human Services Committee. Have you all voted on the report who care to? Have you all voted? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Record vote, Legislative Journal page 1682.) 28 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of the report, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The first report has been adopted.