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SENATOR SCHROCK: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, today I'm reporting on Rod Gangwish's appointment to the Environmental Quality Council. Rod is a new appointee to the Environmental Quality Council, representing agricultural crop production interests. He appeared before the committee on February 8 for his confirmation hearing. Rod received a bachelor degree in agronomy from the University of Nebraska. He and his wife have farmed for 31 years near Shelton, growing corn, seed corn, soybeans and alfalfa. Rod has served in a variety of leadership positions at the local, state, and federal levels. He is past president of the National Corn Growers Association, past president of the Nebraska Corn Growers Association, and served on the Agricultural Advisory Committee on the Chicago Board of Trade, and the Agricultural Advisory Committee to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission. Rod has received many industry-related honors, including the Nebraska corn industry's Golden Ear, the Service to Agriculture Award from KRVN Radio, and was the Nebraska Hall of Agriculture Achievement Award honoree in 2004. The committee voted unanimously to recommend approval of Rod Gangwish to Environmental Quality Council. A little side note: I signed him up to his first Corn Growers membership. I've known Rod a long time.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Thank you, Senator Schrock. The floor is now open for discussion on the confirmation report of the Natural Resources Committee. Senator Stuhr.

SENATOR STUHR: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the body. I just stand in support of Mr. Gangwish's appointment to the Environmental Quality Council. I've known him for many years. He's been very active in farm and ag organizations, and he would certainly be a very outstanding candidate. Thank you.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Thank you, Senator Stuhr. Further discussion? Seeing none, Senator Schrock, you're recognized to close. Senator Schrock waives closing. The question before the body is, shall the confirmation report from the Natural Resources Committee be adopted? All those in favor vote yea; opposed, nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.