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well qualified. They were very responsive to the numerous committee questions that we asked. And I...the committee would like to recommend them to the full body, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schimek. You've heard the opening on the report offered by Chairperson Schimek. Open for discussion. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, and Senator Schimek, I'm looking in the Journal...hold one second, I've got to get the page correct. Madam Chair of the committee, what are these people being appointed to?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Mr. President. Senator Chambers, this is the State Emergency Response Commission, which I mentioned at the very beginning, and then I gave the acronym for it, which is SERC, throughout the rest of my remarks.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: All right. What emergencies have these gentlemen responded to that they mentioned to the committee?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Well, I don't believe that in...I don't believe that as commission members they respond to emergencies. Rather, their function is to look at the whole emergency management situation in Nebraska and try to see that we have plans in place at the local level. Now, all of them come from the local level, and I'm sure that on their own they have responded to emergencies. But I can't enumerate for you what those are.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: For my information, how long has this commission existed, if you know, just roughly?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: I cannot tell you that exactly. My guess is, somewhere within the last ten years it has been in existence,...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Do they...?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: ...has been created and has existed for about