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staffed by the agency. And the agency is actually directed by Al Berndt, and he serves then on the broader policy committee that the Governor has established, that's the one that the Lieutenant Governor chairs at this time. I believe the past Lieutenant Governor did also. And it's the Homeland Security policy task force.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. I...thank you, Senator Schimek. I just wanted to be sure that it is a commission that does something. And I wanted to know what it does, and Senator Schimek's information satisfies the questions that I had. Thank you, Senator Schimek. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Further discussion on the report offered by the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee. Senator Stuthman.

SENATOR STUTHMAN: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. I won't consume a lot of time. I'll be very short in my discussion this morning. The thing about... I am really in favor of these individuals to this commission, and I'll touch onto one...on one individual in specific--Tim Hofbauer. He is the Platte, and there's a couple other counties involved in it, he is our emergency manager...emergency response manager for that That was created mainly because of the Homeland Security Act, which took place several years ago. And he's the one that is in direct communications with that. If something would come down from the state, from the federal, that needed some homeland security attention, he is the individual in our area, our And he is employed by our county and I'm not sure if it's one other county or maybe two other counties around our But he is our emergency manager individual that takes care of that. So I'm very supportive of this, and I ask for your vote on this. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Stuthman. Senator Schimek, yours is the only light on. You may either speak, or you may close.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Mr. President and members. I only wanted to follow up on my conversation with Senator Chambers.