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SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. (Doctor of the day introduced.) Further discussion? Seeing no lights on, Senator...Senator Baker waives. The question before the body is confirmation of the first appointee of the first report. All in favor vote aye; opposed, nay. Have you all voted...confirmation of first portion? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Record vote, Legislative Journal page 926.) 32 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the confirmation of Gene Acklie.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The first portion of the divided question has been adopted. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: The second nominee, Mr. President, Barbara Keegan, to the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards. (Legislative Journal page 846.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Baker, would you like to open?

SENATOR BAKER: Yes, I would. Thank you, Senator Cudaback. Barbara Keegan appeared in person in front of the Transportation, Telecommunications Committee. Traveled all the way from Hemingford to appear before us. She is a new appointment, has not been on this board. She is a licensed county highway, city street superintendent since 1991, a member of the Nebraska Association of County Engineers, Surveyors, and Highway Superintendents since '94. She's been president, elected president, of the same in 2000 and 2004. She received Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk Management Association Safety Award in 2004. She, I believe, is a graduate of the University of Nebraska in...I'm checking schools attended, including high school, University of Nebraska - Lincoln. I believe she has a degree from the University of Nebraska in 1986. I'd ask for adoption of...approval of Barbara Keegan's appointment to the public...or Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: You've heard the opening on second nominee of the first report. Open for discussion. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President. I would like to