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language in this original bill is language drafted by Alan Peterson, who represents Media of Nebraska. I want to thank Alan for his dedication and extraordinary time investment throughout the interim and session on this issue. His contributions have been invaluable to me and to the process. I also want to thank all the members of the working group for their contributions, including the public representatives. They offered many valuable suggestions during this process, and their time commitment is also commendable. Articles and opinions that have appeared in newspapers across the state reflect the media's commitment to this open process, and their continuing interest and support of citizens who choose to participate in the governmental process. To the media, I also say thanks. And I particularly want to thank the citizens of Nebraska, many of whom drove over 200 miles and took time off of their busy schedules, without pay, I might add, so they could attend each of these meetings. Citizen involvement is vital to the development of public policy. The watchfulness of the citizen is truly the salvation of the state. I thank you for your attention, I thank you for your support on the two amendments, and I appreciate your vote green on the bill. Thank you very much, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Preister. You've heard the closing on LB 898. The question before the body is, shall LB 898 advance to E & R Initial? All in favor vote aye; opposed, nay. Have you all voted on the advancement who care to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 36 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 898.

SENATOR CUDABACK: LB 898 does advance. We now go to LB 1107.

CLERK: Mr. President, may I read some items?

SENATOR CUDABACK: I'm sorry, you can read...did you wish to read the items, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: I do, thank you. New resolutions, study resolutions: LR 378, by Senator Raikes; LR 379, Senator Dwite Pedersen;