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SENATOR CUDABACK: He has authorized call-in votes. Mr. Clerk, when you get time, please accept call-in votes.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Senator Johnson voting yes...changing from no to yes. Senator Brashear voting yes. Senator Hudkins changing from no to yes.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Record please, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Record vote, Legislative Journal pages 1613-1614.) 25 ayes, 6 nays on the adoption of the report, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The third and final report by the Education Committee has been adopted. I do raise the call. (Visitors introduced.) We go to Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee. Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, the Government Committee would report on the appointment of Judy Schweikart to the Accountability and Disclosure Commission. (Legislative Journal page 1565.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Chairperson Schimek, you're recognized to open.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the body. The Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee desires to report favorably on the appointment of Judy Schweikart to the Accountability and Disclosure Commission. We had a hearing on this confirmation on Monday. And in light of the conversation that we just had on the Education Committee appointee, I'd like to briefly tell you about Judy, and then tell you about why I think she was somewhat the opposite of the last candidate that you just heard about. Judy is...this is a reappointment, as I said. She had served six...almost a year, a guess, after being appointed. We heard her at a confirmation hearing just last year. And when my staff called her this time to see if she would be able to come down, really on quick notice, for this confirmation hearing, she made herself readily available, and she told my staff that she thought it was very