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down for their hearings per se. And I can certainly understand the purpose of doing so. I would also emphasize the fact that we have a big state here. And I am more than happy to represent my constituents in the Health Committee hearings that Senator Howard mentioned. And it's a very fair and open process, and I try to get information from my constituents who are unable to show up. But for someone to drive 450 miles, sometimes, one-way, for a question and answer period of less than five minutes seems a bit wasteful, whether it's personal resources or state resources. So I hope that we just look at this, take these things in stride. And certainly, I want to do everything I can to make sure that we have people show up for their confirmation hearings. But to be critical of those who don't show up, we need to look at the full picture, at the big picture. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Smith. Seeing no further lights on, Chairperson Schimek, you're recognized to close on the confirmation report by your committee.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Mr. Chairman...or, Mr. President and members. I appreciate the comments of Senators Howard and Smith, and those are the kinds of comments that I'd like to hear back from you over the interim. Senator Combs, I thank you for bringing the story of Brissa and her family to us. I think it is illustrative of the complications of the whole citizenship process. And it impacts, it really does impact families. And again, I think most people want to be good citizens. So I'm not going to prolong that, because it's not part of the confirmation process. But I would encourage you to vote in favor of Judy Schweikart for the Accountability and Disclosure Commission. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you. You've heard the closing, confirmation report. The question is, shall that report be adopted? All in favor vote aye; opposed vote nay. We're voting on the confirmation report by the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Record vote, Legislative Journal pages 1614-1615.) 41 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of the