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SENATOR CUDABACK PRESIDING

SENATOR CUDABACK: Good morning. Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. Our chaplain of the day is Dr. Reverend Bob Chitwood, Brownville Christian, Charter Oak Christian, Talmage, guest of Senator Heidemann. Doctor.

REVEREND CHITWOODD: (Prayer offered.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Reverend Chitwood, for being with us. We appreciate you being here. I call the twenty-fourth day of the Ninety-Ninth Legislature, First Session, to order. Senators, please check in. Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: I have a quorum present, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Are there any corrections for the Journal?

CLERK: I have no corrections, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Messages, reports, or announcements, please.

CLERK: Mr. President, a notice of priority bill designation. Revenue Committee has selected LB 499 as one of its two priority bills. Hearing notices from the Appropriations Committee and from the Revenue Committee, signed by the respective chairs. And I have confirmation reports from the Education Committee, two separate reports offered by the Education Committee, signed by Senator Raikes. That's all that I have, Mr. President. (Legislative Journal pages 459-460.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. We now go to legislative confirmation report. Senator Schrock. Mr. Clerk, did you wish to...I'm sorry. I'm sorry, Mr. Speaker. You wish to make an announcement, and you have the floor. Apologize for that.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Thank you, Mr. President. Please don't, it's fine. Colleagues, good morning. If I could have your attention briefly, continuing the practice of trying to let you know what we're doing and why, we're going to schedule some special...some