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investment council. I believe that should be the right of that new Governor, during her four-year term. Therefore, I would think this appointment, this opening, for the next five years, should be left, quite properly, to that new Governor. As I say, in terms of qualifications I can't fault Mr. Hayden. He is probably as educated and qualified from the educational standpoint as anything. In terms of philosophy, I think his philosophy, as reflected in some of his writings, would be to use those funds in a way that I think is dangerous, in other words, basically use them to a large degree for social projects, which I think risks the funds. The funds are the property of those employees, and they have a right to be treated very carefully. That is my one reason. The other reason, as I'm suggesting, is I think the new Governor should have the right, on this very, very, very important appointment, to pick who she is going to work with for the next four years and possibly longer. So, with no offense intended, and no criticism of the man or his capabilities, he is as brilliant as anybody, I'm sure, I'm simply saying this appointment should be left open for the next Governor.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Thank you. Senator Landis, please.

SENATOR LANDIS: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I rise to oppose, wholeheartedly, this DeCamp amendment. I'm sure it was done without notice to Mr. Hayden, otherwise we probably would have heard about this. And I think that is an act of considerable lack of protocol. However, there are some things to take in mind. Mr. Hayden, whom I've had as a professor, is a professor of economics at the University of Nebraska. He has a Ph.D., is a nationally known scholar. Secondly, he was, as part of the PRO office, these last several years, the scholar that supported the Small Business Task Force of the Kerrey administration which produced a number of pieces of legislation. That task force was chaired by Tom Potter, President of NEC at the time. He also was responsible for some of the reworkings of the NIFA funds to allow them to be used as efficiently and effectively as they have been in the last several years. Legislation was designed, essentially, by Mr. Hayden to accomplish those ends. So, he is well familiar with how to promote economic development. There is also the problem of the precedent that this creates. We have been, daily, approving appointment after appointment without objection. I was here at the end of Governor Thone's administration when we had a very significant special session. And at that time there were appointments, and every one of those appointments were made,