

school, but what level of education they have actually attained. Did you say time?

PRESIDENT: Yes, ma'am.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you very much.

PRESIDENT: You bet. Senator Nelson, please, followed by Senator Bernard-Stevens.

SENATOR NELSON: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I, too, support Senator Lynch's bracket motion. This is a very emotional issue. I appreciate Senator Crosby's words. I appreciate Senator Lynch in bringing this, and I know it's difficult for him. And I also know that if anyone of we senators stand on this floor and even suggest or talk about LB 769, right away we are targeted, we are horrible, we won't face up, and that simply should not be true. Any senator that is running for election is targeted whether or not the information is correct or is not correct. The constitutional question still is not settled in Minnesota. The bill is under the Eighth Circuit Court, they have been disputing this and it's been going on for about five years. Court backlogs, a clogged judicial system, it is simply not work. To bring it down in real short terms, they have tried this for five and six years, and what have they simply done, by the judicial bypass procedure has delayed abortion by about three weeks or a month. Simply what this has done is it has not reduced abortions, it has increased the risk. The risk has increased and the trimester abortions, in Minnesota, by 26.5 percent of delayed. I'm not saying that's the right thing. Senator Crosby said, Senator Schimek, we are talking about a serious issue. I took a survey in my local high school, 78 percent of the students asked for more education on sex. Any number of the...A counselor mentioned to me that she was shocked at the girls in the ninth and tenth grade now that are pregnant. The problem is simply not going to go away. It is a problem of welfare, and it is a problem of housing. The federal government has cut funding for homeless, low income housing, children are not even guaranteed basic shelter now. Will the ones that the government will be demanding that there will be no abortion, will they then step in and take care of these children and provide them for warmth and home and clothes and so on, and will the rest of us that are trying to force a decision that is a family decision? Lack of prenatal care, medical insurance is another one, and the