

if I have to have this kind of a law, I will have the child, less than one in ten. At the same time 2 percent said I will leave home rather than notify my parents. What you're doing here is playing a certain form of God, choosing between which kind of family communication the law is going to endorse and enforce, when, in fact, these relationships are far too personal. We cannot dictate on the floor of the Legislature how families should treat each other and what kind of things they should or shouldn't say to each other. Now it's true, there is a place at which, in fact, it goes beyond communication and good counselling and caring and it gets to the point of physical abuse. There the law stands a good reason to come into and dictate violent behavior from one family member to another.

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR LANDIS: But in the case of how they're talking to each other, what they say to each other, how they conduct each other, how well they love each other, how open and vulnerable they are in their communication, that just isn't open to the law's solution. As much as we would like to have good, fully functioning families, we can't dictate it on the floor of this Legislature. That is what should be talked about and when the Chair says we have talked enough, the Chair is mistaken. We need to talk more about this issue, not less, but what we need to do is to need to talk about the issue and not these bogus side things such as the rules and the Chair's powers and our right to divide the question. We should be talking about kids and families and parents and what is going to be good for the State of Nebraska. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Warner, please, followed by Senator Smith.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I, like most of you I guess, I'm using an opportunity to talk on what I thought was before us, but I suppose I'll slide over a little bit more than that. I thought this in my mind to start with, that it's of little consequence to any of us what we say relative to the procedural question before us. It's how we vote that is going to count and it's going to count, not by our vote, but how somebody else frames our vote. And since somebody else is going to frame my vote, at least I want to be on record why I voted as I did. I can frankly tell you when I heard the sequence of events yesterday, my first reaction was to do what I