

And he didn't base it on religion or anything hypocritical like that. He said we need numbers. Other have to find a more acceptable facade and pretend that it relates to something else. If we are concerned about children at all levels, and some of these groups are going to say a fetus is a preborn child, then why after the child comes into the world do you want to keep the child ignorant. Subject to diseases, subject to pregnancy because they are kept ignorant of things related to sex and reproduction. It is a whole lot of smoke blowing, a whole lot of hypocrisy. We are talking about the creation and the increase of numbers for political purposes. The more numbers you have, the more political strength you have, and it boils down to that purely and simply, and if you study history, you will see it. This kind of language that says even when it comes to contraception nothing can be said about it, then you will get across the idea that there is no contraception because nobody talks about it. There is no such thing as abortion because nobody can mention the word.

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Crazy, crazy. My goal is to push for whatever information and knowledge is available to be spread, broadcast throughout the land, made available to those who need it, and when people can cite the statistics on sexually transmitted diseases and the high rate of teenage pregnancy, and then be against information and means to counteract those problems, then I say they are not being straightforward and honest in their pretended concern about the welfare of young people. I think this language should be stricken and I don't think the bill should be encumbered by language that could jeopardize the bill, itself, from a constitutional standpoint. When people fear even discussion of issues, that establishes that their position is not very strong. You should be able to let your position stand up to any kind of scrutiny.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Time. Senator Scofield, followed by Senator Dierks and Wesely.

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Mr. President, and members, I, too, have had an opportunity to read this decision and, frankly, it raises exactly the kinds of concerns that I had when I asked Senator Labeledz or asked you to defeat Senator Labeledz's amendment when she first offered this. It is unclear to me. There are a number of ways this could be played out and I don't pretend to