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SENATOR LINDSAY: Well, it's my understanding, first of all, with regard to grandparents, grandparents have certain, for example, visitation rights, as created by statute,...

SENATOR CROSBY: Um-hmm.

SENATOR LINDSAY: ...they're very extremely limited. As far as stepparents, I'm not sure that stepparents have any more legal standing than anybody else,...

SENATOR CROSBY: Okay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: ...unless there's been an adoption that's taken place, in which case a (inaudible).

SENATOR CROSBY: Well, yeah, and so if we take...if we take this and say, well, what are we expecting this grandparent, or stepparent to do? Take the girl to the court? Take her to the abortion clinic? What? Are you going to help me again? What do you...I want to know how do you feel about the amendment, John. I mean from that way of view.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Well, I guess I'm not quite sure what you're talking about as far as the...

SENATOR CROSBY: Well, all right, what are we...we say notify the grandparent or the stepparent, but what do they...

PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR CROSBY: ...what do they do from that point? What do they do to the girl? They can act as the parent?

SENATOR LINDSAY: I don't know.

SENATOR CROSBY: See, that's the point I have...I think I have just a little problem with whether or not he or...that person can act for the parent. So perhaps Senator Hillman and Senator Rasmussen, and some of you, when you speak, would you kind of bring that out. I see the point, and you heard my story, because you see I do understand what's going on here, and I'm trying really hard to understand how we all feel about it. So I wish you'd bring that out and see if you could...would give me a couple of clues there as to whether or not this person would