

to me that, certainly, if the person had three hours to go, that would be in the education program that would be approved in the contract, but not to mandate that the postsecondary education be a specific. There's a lot of people out there that don't have college degrees, an awful lot of them. Some of them are entrepreneurs, own their own businesses, have managed to do very well, thank you. I think what we're talking about is a mind-set. We have a mind-set that we are going to survive, we are going to struggle without welfare. Now my husband and I are not college graduates. I had a terrific education at Central High School and some college courses, but we're not college graduates and maybe that's why we are of modest means. And I'm delighted to tell you that all of our six children have college degrees from various institutions around the country and one has a law degree and two more are working on their postsecondary, or their graduate degrees. And they did it without welfare and without much help from their parents. They had scholarships, they have a lot of loans and they're going to be paying for years on those loans, and they worked and they worked in restaurants, they worked on campus, they worked off of campus, they worked. Now, yes, they did have the ability and they had the energy to work their way through college. As a matter of fact, maybe we were naive, maybe we were not educated enough to know that we had an option. We didn't know that after they were eighteen and they were on their own that, indeed, they could have gone on the welfare rolls, they could have had certain things provided for them. My kids don't have medical benefits. They are on their own. I have it through my company, thank heaven, for my husband and I, but my children do not unless they have a job now that provides them that health care.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Our daughter took seven years working her way through college, working two jobs. Now this is not a ceiling, as I look at this amendment, as you take it in context with the whole contract. And, Senator Crosby, I did go to one of your luncheons and I did talk to a constituent who had two children by two different fathers, was never married and the fathers are not supporting those children and she was fearful of the two-year limitation because she was a photographer and it was hard to get a job as a photographer. So I said, why don't you just get any job and then you can use your photography for extra money? That evidently had not occurred to her before. I'm sorry, this is a very small amendment. Actually, I don't think