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SENATOR CHAMBERS: How do you know that?

SENATOR BRUNING: I don't.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So why don't you put some kind of guidelines in to mention what cannot be excluded?

SENATOR BRUNING: The constitution is a guideline enough for me. The equal protection clause and...there...the First Amendment. There are enough guidelines...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: What does the...

SENATOR BRUNING: ...in law, and I don't think we need to place a thousand small guidelines in every (interruption).

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, which part of the constitution deals with what I'm talking about on birth control.

SENATOR BRUNING: I suppose the First Amendment, the right to free speech. People can say whatever they want to say.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But you give carte blanche to the Department of Education...to the Board of Education to set up this mentoring program.

SENATOR BRUNING: Correct.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And if they want to exclude information about birth control, you'd say that would violate the First Amendment to the Constitution.

SENATOR BRUNING: I have no idea, Senator.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Time.

SENATOR BRUNING: I'd need to study the issue.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Bohlke.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Mr. Speaker and members, I think as Chairwoman of the Education Committee I need to tell you a little history