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SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: One minute.

SENATOR JENSEN: ...involved 400 Afro-American men in a government sponsored study to research the effect of untreated syphilis. While the men were not deliberately exposed to syphilis, as some rumors persisted, they were, nonetheless, part of an experiment that went on for a course of 40 years. So I think that we, as legislators, need to be involved in this process. I visited with Senator Brown, who has a strong interest in genetics, and where do we go from here? I mentioned that I think that this is the the tip of iceberg perhaps on experimentation, and that concerns me, and so I think we need to set some guidelines on where we go. I become upset when I even read in the paper that we have research going on here in the state of Nebraska where we...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Time.

SENATOR JENSEN: Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Suttle.

SENATOR SUTTLE: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature. Senator Dwite Pedersen mentioned that he believed that all of the tissue was obtained from partial birth abortions. Those partial birth abortions that he thinks that are occurring aren't happening in Nebraska, and they are not used for this type of research. They have to be taken from an embryo between 13 and 19 weeks. Otherwise, they can't use the stem cells. I wanted to...I wanted to delve a little bit more into diseases having to do with neuro...neuro immunizations and neuro problems. One of them two senators have talked about, Senator Thompson, Senator Janssen, about multiple sclerosis. Multiple sclerosis is a chronic, often disabling disease that attacks the central nervous system. MS is thought to be an autoimmune disease. The body's own defense system attacks the myelin, which is the fatty substance that surrounds and protects the nerve fibers of the brain and spinal cord. The damaged myelin may form scar tissue. Sometimes the nerve fiber is also damaged. When any part of the myelin sheath or nerve fiber is damaged or destroyed, nerve impulses to and from the brain are interrupted. Nerve fibers in the central nervous system