

TRANSCRIPT PREPARED BY THE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE
Transcriber's Office
FLOOR DEBATE

March 31, 2003

LB 265

want her to be able...

SPEAKER BROMM: One minute.

SENATOR TYSON: ...to promise me that she will do the one thing that she can do today to lessen teaching children violence. Senator Schimek, when you go home tonight, I want you to take your television set, ...do you have a plate glass window? A plate glass window? I want you to throw your TV out of the house by the quickest method. If you want to learn violence, watch Sylvester Stallone, or whoever these people are. I don't know their names anymore. But watch them and you will see all sorts of unbelievable violence. I don't even see how they do it. Some of those things I think are physically impossible. But people learn violence primarily, according to any number of surveys, from television and from motion pictures. So if you don't want to teach them, don't go, don't let any children go.

SPEAKER BROMM: Time.

SENATOR TYSON: Have them go to the...thank you.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator. (Visitors introduced.)
Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: (Laugh) Thank you, Mr. President and members. I'm so tickled and delighted to be following Senator Tyson on this occasion. And Senator Tyson, you didn't ruffle my feathers at all, I want you to know. In fact, I do agree with you about the amount of violence on TV and in our movies. And unfortunately, I don't have any little tiny kids at home anymore that are going to succumb to this evil influence. But when my children were growing up, I tried to discourage that kind of television program as much as possible. And I think you're absolutely right. I actually turned my light on before lunch, and over the lunch hour had occasion to go over to the downtown Methodist church here and talk to a group of about 40 men who were...who have a regular men's club that meets and has speakers come in. And we talked about a whole variety of subjects. But I just mentioned the fact that we were talking about concealed weapons here on the floor. And one fellow asked me what I