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professional is going to be done by going through the phone book, the listings in the phone book, or on the Internet. There is a lot of terribly misleading and outright false information on the Internet. There is false information in commercials that appear on cable television and network television. So to say that these young women who are faced with...

SPEAKER BROMM: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...one of the most difficult, serious matters in their life are to be left to the phone book or to the Internet or cable television is, I think, the height of cynicism, unworthy of a deliberative body. That's my view. But since the phone book has now become the authority, I'm going to bring it back to haunt some of my colleagues who think that's the way to get the answer, and tell them, stop bringing this crazy legislation to us; there's already a phone book that makes that kind of information available. How about not allowing certain phone calls to be made to people because the phone calls are considered harassing? Which telephone does anybody have which does not have a hang-up button or method by which the phone can be hung up? Why do they have to be protected because they're too weak to use one...

SPEAKER BROMM: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...finger to hang up the telephone? But we're going to have legislation for that.

SPEAKER BROMM: Senator Chambers, your time is up, but you may continue to close, as there are no further lights. There is now. Senator Chambers, you're recognized.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Speaker, I genuinely didn't hear you say the time was up, because I will not override you. Members of the Legislature, I have only just begun. But let me go again to some of this legislation that you all want to pass. I think Senator...Smith--he has such a difficult name to remember (laugh)--Senator Smith is one of those who I think brought some legislation to protect people from certain kind of phone calls. Now, we don't want to give information to these young women