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crying and sobbing and begged the counselor not to send her back home. And the counselor said, oh, I'm sure everything will be all right, and went and talked with her mother, and came back and said, your mother seems like such a nice lady, I'm sure everything will be okay. And she said, the church sent me back into the lion's den. She said, I tried one more time, when my mother ran off and left my sister and I by ourselves, when we were about ten years of age. For six months the mother left. When we ran out of food and money, the teacher began to realize that we weren't eating lunch, and she called our mother in and confronted her with the neglect. And then mom and daughter went home, and you can guess what happened next. The abuse increased. I asked her if she'd ever tried telling again, and she looked at me incredulously, and she said, most people don't even tell once. It was fairly remarkable that I told twice.

SPEAKER BROMM: One minute.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: But three times, everybody knows three strikes and you're out. Young people need to know how the system works so they can decide what to do. And I'll quit there. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Schimek. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I've heard some...they say about home, home on the range, where never is heard a discouraging word. I've heard a few discouraging words from the aisle back here, which means I'm getting my job done. This is, to me, the first day of the session. But I know it's not the first day. We've been here two or three days. But this is the way I'm going to do all session, so you may as well make up your mind you're going to get angry, but go to your doctor first and get yourself some heart pills and some ulcer pills, because I am not going to be deterred. I am not going to be turned aside. I've fallen into the habit of referring to three mythological sisters. I shouldn't tell you who they are. Clotho, Lachesis, and Atropos. Clotho is the one who weaves or spins the thread of a person's life. Lachesis sits there and watches and decides when the thread is long enough. Then Atropos, the one who is not turned