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SPEAKER BROMM: One minute.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: ...if we even could agree on some additional language to go with the language that is in this bill. But I think it is exceedingly important that the young woman in question knows that there is a way that she can go that will protect her. And I would just plead with you to think about some alternatives as we go through these amendments this morning. Thank you, Mr. President.

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

SENATOR FOLEY: Thank you, Mr. President, again. In case there is any doubt about where Miss Anyse Wisdom stands on this bill, we need only turn to the transcript of the public hearing on the bill, which was held March 4, 2003 before the Education Committee. I will quote just a couple of sentences from Miss Wisdom's testimony. She says, I believe it is irresponsible to encourage young women to go behind their parents' back. I cannot believe that any parent could endorse a statute that would inspire their children to seek such a dangerous and irresponsible procedure without their knowledge. I'm in favor of LB 172 because I feel the mandatory distribution of these newsletters should stop. They not only promote abortion but encourage it. I feel it's incredibly presumptuous of the state to enforce this information upon us. It is both insulting and humiliating that anyone would assume that providing this information to women between ages of 14 and 17 has any positive benefit at all. That's the testimony of Miss Wisdom. It's on the transcribed record. I remind you again that it was Senator Ron Withem who in two successive sessions of this Legislature brought the same bill that I bring to you today. Senator Withem carried that bill to Select File and then ran out of time. I think it was 1994. And it's very discouraging that we have to rehash all of the same old arguments all over again that we've been through for so many years in this Legislature, for so many hours on General File this year, and Senator Schimek is going to want to take us all through that again. I urge the advancement of LB 172 in its green copy form. Thank you, Mr. President.