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11-inch paper to put information that will comply with the law. When you boil down everything in the Department of Education's information, and the information contained in the Lincoln Public School notification, which currently is given to all students, there are three items present, not including the statement that the law affects young women contemplating an abortion. The first item is that the doctor must provide written notification to a parent or guardian if a woman below 18 years old who is not married or liberated becomes pregnant. So that written notification by the doctor is the first element. The second deals with the judicial waiver of that notice. The information describes what this is and that it's allowed under the law, and the burden the young woman will have to meet in order to obtain the waiver. The third item is the referral of the young woman to the Nebraska statutes for additional information. That is not onerous. That is not advocating abortion. It is not advancing abortion. The young woman has made a decision already. What it does is inform her of the law as it exists in this state. I do not think it is reasonable in 2004 for a Legislature to deprive young people of information. When I go back to my office after having attended an Exec Board session at noon, a decision may have been taken to allow Internet access on the floor of the Legislature. So these senators who want to deny this modicum of information to young women want to have available for themselves the Internet on the floor of the Legislature. Do you see the hypocrisy? And some of the biggest hypocrites are those who will vote against giving the young woman this information. Yeah, they're hypocrites. They want information and they don't have to have it presented on the floor via the Internet, but they want it here...

SPEAKER BROMM: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...because they will argue that information helps a senator do his or her job. But then the hypocrites turn around and say, but we're not going to let these young women have access to this information through the schools. That's what I mean when I talk about hypocrisy on this floor. I can't say that people are listening to me, but I see some deeper tinges of pink on the faces of some of my colleagues as I look around, and if you look around you'll see some of them too. The