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SENATOR BOURNE: Understandably so, but 6,000 hours, that's, I mean, that's several years of training.

SENATOR STUHR: That would be of practice, yes, of practice.

SENATOR BOURNE: Okay, but...all right. So say Senator Friend wanted to go...wanted to become a body artist, and so he goes to work for the tattoo parlor up in my neighborhood, up in Benson. He would have to work for those individuals for several years before he is even eligible to take the test to become a licensed body artist?

SENATOR STUHR: Yes, that is experience satisfactory to the department. That is the way...that's what we've included in the bill. And I think one of the reasons we did this, if you'll look on the last handout that I handed out, the orange copy, we have found out that there are...and if you turn on the back page, there are legitimate body art facilities and there are those, such as this one, that advertises that they are state inspected and approved, when we have no approval, licensure, or such.

SENATOR BOURNE: Right. And I'm not opposed at all to state licensure or approval and making sure that these individuals who actually pierce the skin are knowing what they're doing. But...

SENATOR STUHR: Right.

SENATOR BOURNE: ...I'm wondering if what you're doing, in effect, by having an individual perform a three- or four-year apprenticeship, if you're actually, or in effect, you're shutting down the industry. And I'd suggest to you that our police officers and our fire personnel don't even go through three years of training before they become police officers or firefighters. And you know, I'm trying to think of other analogies, but it just seem...

SENATOR STUHR: Right.

SPEAKER BROMM: Time. Thank you, Senator Bourne and Senator