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SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Foley, would you respond?

SENATOR FOLEY: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Foley, first of all, so you'll know where I'm going, I do support Senator Howard's amendment. But since yours is before us, that's why I'm asking you these questions. So the record will know what your amendment says, it would strike everything Senator Howard put in her amendment about the Native American population and substitutes this language. Quote, The dissemination of information regarding the risks of fetal alcohol syndrome and the harmful effects of substance abuse during pregnancy shall be a component of services offered. Is it your feeling that this kind of information is not currently being offered by any of the programs that exist and do minister to the needs of pregnant women?

SENATOR FOLEY: No. Actually, to the extent that I have knowledge of these programs that exist currently, I think most of them are already doing this.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So this would not...

SENATOR FOLEY: This would...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Go ahead.

SENATOR FOLEY: This would ensure it, if you will.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: This would not really meet a deficiency that is shown to exist, but it would be a redundant type of backup? Is that more or less correct?

SENATOR FOLEY: Well, I don't know if I'd phrase it that way. I think what I'm trying to do here...I know what I'm trying to do here, is to ensure that as this program goes forward, that the dissemination of information on these topics is a component of those programs.