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SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, Senator Howard's amendment is designed to address not just a perceived problem, but an actual problem. In stating the problem, it could seem like she is denigrating or demeaning a group of people, which is not true. She is simply pointing out that a problem which may be throughout the society is localized in certain areas. There are socioeconomic and societal factors that contribute to the localization of certain types of problems that befall all of humankind. We're aware of the conditions under which Native Americans live. There have been all kind of studies undertaken. In fact, Native Americans have been studied more than any group except mine. But the conclusion is inescapable that when people are subjected to very depressing, oppressive, suppressive conditions which are beyond their power to control, if they are located geographically so they cannot escape in that way, they will try to find a way to endure where they are. Even people in the suburbs, who would seem to have it all, turn to alcohol and drugs. So fetal alcohol is a problem everywhere. But where the problem is most severe is where the most attention should be addressed. If we had unlimited resources, we could take a broader approach. But where the need is greatest is where the most attention should be addressed. There was a common statement among black people about how things went during slavery times. They would bring a black woman--whom they referred to as a "mammy," because her mammary glands were used to provide milk for the children of the ones who claimed to own her--they would bring a black mammy into the slavemaster's house, and if the slavemaster wife sneezed, the black woman had to run and be so solicitous of this black woman--what's the matter, Missy? Missy got a cold? Missy got a chill? While her children might be dying of pneumonia in the slave huts. So when there is all kind of concern given for those who do have some recourse to assistance, but we have an isolated, discriminated-against population who can be assisted, and we turn our backs, that is not right. The mere disseminating of information, even if they put a pamphlet or a tract in the hand of every person on the reservation, is not the same as having a meaningful, consequential approach of the kind envisioned by Senator Howard's amendment. This would be where we can measure what may be accomplished. We know that there are people who would be benefited. This is not something that breaks down