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sexually transmitted diseases that are rampant in the teenage population, and you need more places to go to. If they could go to a local public health department that Senator Byars' bill just expanded across the state, we've got nurse practitioners that can do Pap smears. I mean, this...you pick up these diseases early.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Time, Senator.

SENATOR COMBS: Thanks.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Senator Don Pederson.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Mr. Lieutenant Governor, members of the Legislature, I was not particularly aware of the fact that this amendment of Senator Foley's was going to be coming up. I heard people out in the hall discussing it, but it's kind of unusual putting it into our budget bill at this time, because it...although it does have some relationship to the budget, it's not directly involving the budget. This is changing a methodology, and I know Senator Foley has always wanted to change it away from existing treatment centers. But when I was first in the Legislature, one of the issues that came up, Senator Brown alluded to it earlier, there was a proposal to provide Pap smears and chlamydia treatment for low-income women, and that issue came before the Appropriations Committee. And the issue seemed to boil down to whether or not...who was going to provide those services, and the services were bid-type services, and the ones who were offering that particular service were the ones that are currently providing that service now. And the question was, well, why didn't the...basically, Senator Foley's people wanted to have that changed. They did not want the family...any family planning in connection with this. And so the vote came down as to whether or not we should provide money for the family planning services, which included the Pap smear and the chlamydia, and the agreement was that there would be no abortion counseling or anything like that in connection with it, and I cast a vote in that respect and said that I thought this is very important. We have a sexually transmitting disease that is not being currently treated. We have women who may or may not have the levels of things that would concern you