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buildings, amounting to about \$3 billion worth of properties. And these buildings were falling into disrepair,...

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Time, Senator.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: ...and so LB 1100 was initiated. You say time?

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Yes.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Did you say time?

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Time, Senator.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Thank you.

SENATOR BROWN: Thank you.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: We have Senator Schimek, followed by Senator Engel, Senator Thompson. Senator Schimek. Senator Schimek? Senator Engel.

SENATOR ENGEL: Mr. Vice President (sic), members of the body, I believe, as Senator Jensen said, this is widespread across our state, and I think the more accessible we make...more facilities we make accessible to these people who have this situation where they need this testing, I think we should do it. I don't think this is a...I really don't think...this is not abortion issue, as far as I'm concerned, either. I do support this amendment. And if they have to travel too far, many of them can't get there. So it's a problem that I think it's all...it's not epidemic proportions, but it certainly could be, and these young women and older women, as far as that goes, if they have this situation, if they can get tested and find out they have a problem, they get a treatment immediately, and can make their lives a much better life. If they can't get to these clinics to get this treatment, well, it could affect them, and I think we should make it more accessible. We're not increasing the budget at all. We're not changing. We're just making accessible to more women, so that they can get to these clinics. So therefore, I certainly support this amendment. And if I...if