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PRESIDENT SHEEHY: One minute.

SENATOR THOMPSON: ...this discussion, is to vote to reconsider, as Senator Schimek put it up there, and put this as an additional appropriation to deal with a huge problem in the state, and the fact that some areas of the state may not have the ability to quickly get to these services, and not only make...expand what we do, continue the core services that are doing a good job; expand those services to serve other areas of the state, but make sure that they can provide treatment and have an array of services. This doesn't gain us much. This thins down what we do. It creates problems within the current services that are provided in communities and the relationships that are already in place and the services that we have for women. And it dilutes that by saying the provider may provide some but not all of the services--a very substantive difference. That shouldn't come on the appropriations bill. But what should come is more funding, and I do support that.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Time, Senator.

SENATOR THOMPSON: Thank you.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Senator McDonald.

SENATOR McDONALD: Lieutenant Governor and members of the body, I did not vote for call of the question because I wasn't ready to make a decision on this bill. There were so many unanswered questions concerning why this is part of the appropriations package. I definitely support more services for rural Nebraska, and especially for underserved women. This amendment doesn't allow all services, which is a concern to me. And if it dilutes any of the services that we have out there, that's also a concern. So the real issue is, we should be adding more money so that we can offer more services. But that's what...we're not doing that. And if we're not asking for more money, why is it in the Appropriations Committee bill? This is totally inappropriate. I feel that if we're going to do something, we add more money, but not at this point in time do we change the language of the amendment if we're not asking for more money.