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SENATOR FOLEY: Yes.

SENATOR THOMPSON: This just is kind of in response to your saying you've been talking to the department about this for quite a long time. The way I see it, they could be doing this right now. Is that correct?

SENATOR FOLEY: Senator, I don't disagree with you. They are very concerned that a program has been in place a particular way for a lengthy period of time and that now, if they were to shift gears and change the parameters of that program, without legislative guidance, that it would be an instant lawsuit and that would just drain resources and, you know, who knows where it would end up. And they...

SENATOR THOMPSON: Why do they think they'd be sued? I don't even understand that. I mean they...why?

SENATOR FOLEY: Senator, I can't make their argument for them, but I've visited with their attorneys, I've visited with the Attorney General's Office. Believe me, a lot of hours went into this thing and they are just very concerned that you're going to get hit with a lawsuit, and none of us want that when we have the chance to give some clear guidance as to how we want this program administered. There wouldn't be any point to that. We're going to serve the same number of women...

SENATOR THOMPSON: Okay. Well, this...

SENATOR FOLEY: It's your time.

SENATOR THOMPSON: ...is my last time to talk so...

SENATOR FOLEY: I'm sorry.

SENATOR THOMPSON: ...and we've said that all over and over again. I understand Senator Brown would like to answer that question, and I'm just opening it to everyone, I guess.

SENATOR BROWN: Well, I think that the reason is that last line,