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because I think that the services that could be funded must provide the full range of services and this is a departure from that full range of services, so it's that last line that says that you do not have to do all the services that changes substantially the way the program is, and is probably the reason that Health and Human Services does not think that they have the authority to do it right now.

SENATOR THOMPSON: But I don't see that in...we just appropriated funding to expand existing Title X funding, correct, back when I first got here in '98? That's when we really went to these particular kinds of testing. Is that correct?

SENATOR BROWN: Yes.

SENATOR THOMPSON: We didn't give direction then.

SENATOR BROWN: Well, but we listed the full range of services and they have only been...

SENATOR THOMPSON: Oh, okay. Okay.

SENATOR BROWN: ...funding programs that provide for the full range of services...

SENATOR THOMPSON: Okay.

SENATOR BROWN: ...and now we're...now, with the last line of the Foley amendment, we are going to allow for a limitation of those services.

SENATOR THOMPSON: Okay. Thank you, Senator Brown. And so the people who are supporting, who aren't voting to reconsider, think about reconsidering in order to bid it all out. That's fine. As long as it's the same, the department could do that. For some reason, philosophically, we must have decided or Senator Foley wants to split that up and not have that. I agree with Senator Stuthman and others who have been talking. I mean, we can't thin this out and we can't make it not work well in terms of policy. But it is the department's decision. They