

prohibit giving specific information, then it certainly wouldn't prohibit giving general information.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, I'm saying it does, as it is written, okay. The provisions of this section shall not be construed to require a school district to provide specific information. So we agree that they may give specific information, and they may give general information.

SENATOR WITHEM: Agreed.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So, even if we took this to mandate that no...well, however you take it, they can give specific or general information, if they choose to.

SENATOR WITHEM: Agreed.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So what is the purpose of the amendment?

SENATOR WITHEM: The purpose of the amendment is to take care of fears of those individuals who read the original amendment thinking that it was going to require them to give specific...there was an original version of the amendment floating around. And I'll push my light in case you use too much of your time in answering the question, I'll yield it back to you. The original version of the bill was copied...was copied after the Michigan statute, which I understand...I understand it was copied after the Michigan statute, which required the schools, not only to say that this bill is passed, to say there's a judicial bypass, but to give the address of the local district court, to tell people how to go about implementing the judicial bypass procedure. I did not include that in my original amendment. There were still people that were fearful that that may have been what was intended. The purpose of this is to clarify we are not intending that they give the address of the judge, how to implement the judicial bypass, in other words not to have the teachers telling students this is how you can get an abortion without having to tell your parents.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But all the amendment does is say that is not required by law, but they still may do it anyway, if they choose.

SENATOR WITHEM: If that's a question, yes, I would think they would be able to, just as they're probably able now to tell