

with Senator Bernard-Stevens, I cannot see that it's going any place at all and the delay in time, but we each have our own priorities and we must respect that. I wish that there was just some type of middle ground. We senators, as Senator Stevens said, are just simply being used and to further a topic that we're not ever going to win on and it just is not possible. Judge Urbom found that this bill delays for 24 hours, a delay increases the risk substantially to a woman's health and yet we're here willing today to contribute to that. As we say, the court cases are coming down, let's wait. It could change things. As Senator Lindsay says, it may tighten up abortions and, if so, let's hope that they not so tight that they are done in less than medical procedures or procedures that are accepted. I look at this and as a way to harass women again, to penalize them and I don't think that we senators intend to do that to anyone. I find it rather ironic that LB 78, that the state is saying that a woman must have certain information in order to make a fully informed choice. What are our doctors for? I know that all...when they go to the clinics, I'm not sure what those doctors do tell them. I have seen some forms and questionnaires, yet the same sponsors who have introduced LB 84 would withhold any and all information from women if there is even the slightest connection with public services, facilities or funding. This type of a bill discriminates against women in general and most often the poor. The wealthy are going to have an abortion anyhow. Lots of times it does not...it's a very, very difficult decision. When people sit here and think that abortion is used just as...well, I think Senator Lindsay used the example, we go out and sell the car. That's not true, and I think that anyone that has an abortion does not, probably spend many sleepless nights before they did come to that decision. What does it affect my family? How does it affect the other children in the family? What can I do? Do I lose my job? What about employment? There are many, many things that enter into it. Am I going to be supported by the gentleman that got me pregnant? What's his role? What's his responsibility? Why isn't he here to help pay for it or whatever may be necessary? I look at this as something just to harass women and set up more obstacles and, frankly, punish them for ever becoming pregnant. Naturally, there are some unintended pregnancies in some and I will fully admit abortion is probably used as a contraceptive in some cases. We don't want that. What I would love to see if we could somehow educate the young students that the risks of having...