

before and after a procedure and the possible complications and the risks, and Senator Nelson mentioned the fact that we're pawns on the abortion issue, and Senator Chambers says in his, that it's...in some of the amendments that he has introduced that it is a political issue. And as I'll say it again, I haven't spent 16 years down here to enhance my political career just strictly on the abortion issue. Senator Hillman mentioned teenage pregnancies. On October 2, 1991, I wrote a letter to Senator Rasmussen and Senator Hillman and...when they asked for people to serve on the task force on teenage pregnancy, and I referred them to people that I knew would serve on that committee and it was Pastor Dan Hovanac who is the Director of Family Services at the Open Door Mission, Winnie Kaipust who is with the AAA Crisis Pregnancy Center and Steve and Carolyn LaGreca in Omaha and at that particular time had opened their homes to nine pregnant teenagers in their home, and Chris Schlesinger who is the Director of the Emergency Pregnancy Service in Omaha. I felt their expertise and their knowledge on the abortion issue and the complications and the risks and the fact that the pregnant woman should have the right to know and have the informed, and I'm going to use the word choice for once. I think the woman should have the right to know and she should also be informed as to her choice and the consequences before and after the procedure and the abortion industry, like any other business, has a sales force and a carefully defined marketing strategy. The sales force is made up of abortion counselors who supposedly are supposed to help the women on their abortion choice. Their marketing strategy is to tell the client as little as possible and never anything negative about their decision or their product. Make no mistake, the abortion industry is a big money-making business and I believe at the beginning Senator Lindsay did give you the facts of how many abortions were performed in this state, over 6,000, by three doctors in the State of Nebraska, 6,500 or something like that, but 6,138 were performed by three doctors and at \$250 which is a...

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR LABEDZ: ...very conservative amount, they would make over a million and a half dollars in one year. And so you have to believe that abortion is a marketing product and the way it is handled in abortion clinics, and I've talked to women that have had abortions years ago and not too long ago have come back and said, nobody, nobody explained to them the risks that