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SENATOR BEUTLER: Yes, transplanting another cell's nucleus into the egg nucleus...

SENATOR STUTHMAN: And...

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...is my understanding of it.

SENATOR STUTHMAN: Yes, I'll totally agree with you there. Is...when this process is done, then the cells start dividing? And then there would be...this would start to grow? Would that be your estimation?

SENATOR BEUTLER: I think that's my understanding of the process. Right.

SENATOR STUTHMAN: Okay. Thank you, Senator Beutler. I would like to direct a comment to Senator Schimek at this time, if she would respond?

SPEAKER BROMM: Senator Schimek, would you yield, please?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes.

SENATOR STUTHMAN: In your comments just prior to Senator Loudon speaking, you stated that cloning...human cloning, that would be taking this mass, this egg that had the nucleus taken out and another cell put in and it starts dividing into...splitting and creating cells, and if it's placed in a womb it would develop into a possible result of a human being? Would that be correct?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, it could.

SENATOR STUTHMAN: Okay. Then when you're doing it for therapeutic, the only difference there...

SPEAKER BROMM: One minute.

SENATOR STUTHMAN: ...would be you would be not in...you wouldn't be placing it into a womb, you would be growing it elsewhere? Or would you be placing it into a womb to be stopped at some time?