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fact that once before in another bill we have talked about abortion for rape or incest would have to be reported especially in the rape incident within forty-eight hours of the occurring of the rape, or the sexual assault?

SENATOR BEUTLER: No, my amendment has no reporting clause.

SENATOR LABEDZ: In other words, they can come up with a request for an abortion and be covered by state insurance if they come three or four months later and say that it was a rape incident.

SENATOR BEUTLER: If they have a....if they sign a statement verifying that the pregnancy resulted from sexual assault.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Thank you. That is another reason why I would have to oppose the amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Question.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The question has been called for. Do I see five hands? Okay. All those in favor of ceasing debate vote aye, opposed no. Pat, we are voting on the.... The motion is to cease debate. Have you all voted? Record.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Debate is ceased. We now vote on the two....Senator Beutler, do you wish to close on your motion which has been divided?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay, Mr. Speaker, would you verify this? As I now understand it, what we are voting on this next vote is the first half of the amendment which would say that funds could be used for abortions in the case where a pregnancy....it is desired to terminate a pregnancy resulting from a sexual assault. Is that correct? That is what we are voting on now?

SPEAKER MARVEL: Your handwriting is about like mine. I have a little trouble reading it. You amend the Dworak amendment by adding after the word "woman" on line 12 the following language, then you quote that language and that is the first part, and then you quote the second part. So we are voting on the first part of that amendment.