

be put aside and we vote convictions, I do have a conviction about the issue that I am raising in this amendment and it would be difficult for me to understand how those who say that a human being exists at the point or instant of conception and, therefore, abortion should be disallowed because there is a destruction willfully of a human life, I don't see how anybody holding that position could be against this bill. Either you believe that human life is everything or you don't. I have told Senator Labeledz that with all of the reading that I have done and I haven't read everything ever written on the subject, about when an individual or a human being actually comes into existence, there is conflict and controversy among all of those who deal with the subject, whether they be theologians, philosophers, scientists, even lay people. But if she can convince me on that issue that at the instant of conception there is a human being, then she has got me. I have also said that after a certain stage of development in the life of a fetus, and I can't precisely pinpoint that stage in terms of days or hours, and I am convinced that a human being is in existence, my whole attitude and position on abortion changes and perhaps becomes more restrictive than that of some of the people who say they are opposed to abortion. So what we have to determine is whether all human life is precious or whether, because of a certain position of our church and certain aspects of human life are declared precious but others not, then we will follow the church line but not what you might call the natural law line that declares that all human life is important. I hope you will adopt this amendment but before I sit down let me add this because I didn't get to complete what I was saying a minute ago. I find it peculiar that the same ones who say they are opposed to abortion will applaud what Ronald Reagan and other people of his ilk are talking about doing, cutting food stamp programs, taking food out of the mouths of these people that you are so insistent will come into the world, cutting school lunch programs which can impact on nobody but children. So I have difficulty understanding this type of morality and these kind of positions, but so that the issue is clear as to what you will be voting on, my amendment says that no public funds will be used for any procedure that terminates a human life.

SENATOR CLARK: I have four lights on up here. Senator Dworak.

SENATOR DWORAK: Mr. President and colleagues, in the spirit that Senator Chambers offered this amendment I have great difficulty in opposing it because I totally and thoroughly share Senator Chambers' views on taking human life at any