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between two human beings. It is obvious that those who say they oppose abortions do not see the infant as quite a human being in the same way they see the potential mother as being a human being. The baby, as we have had it described, is somewhat less and has somewhat less right to live.

PRESIDENT: Thirty seconds, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Remember, when you have an abortion, you are talking as the antiabortionists have told us of the deliberate and intentional extinguishment of a human life and I don't see how they can vote for this bill while it acknowledges that as a valid proposition. I am opposed to the bill but I think the antiabortionists ought to be opposed to it for that reason also because it contains language that goes directly contrary to all the principles they espouse.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Labeledz. In fact, there is no one else on. Do you want to just close at this point? This will be your closing.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Yes, as I mentioned before, I have no closing unless Senator Higgins or Senator Dworak would like to say anything.

PRESIDENT: Senator Higgins or Senator Dworak, do you have any close? Senator Higgins.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Mr. President, Senators, I hope this is the last amendment that is offered on this bill. I didn't know the man but they tell me Terry Carpenter always said, "Don't ever vote against a bill. Just amend it to death." I hope you will advance this bill so that we can get on to other things in the Legislature. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Dworak, do you have anything further? All right, the question then is the advance of LB 125 to E & R for engrossment. All those in favor signify by saying aye. A machine vote has been requested. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: Mr. President, a record vote has been requested by Senator Chambers. (Record vote read. See page 727, Legislative Journal.) 33 ayes, 11 nays, 5 present and not voting, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The motion carries and LB 125 is advanced to E & R for engrossment. The Chair recognizes Senator Wagner. For what purpose do you arise?