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groups, the emotional groups, the psychologies. If you get beat because you have been honest and a man and an individual of integrity, they say you get beat. But most of all you should never knowingly flaunt the law, and I submit to you that we should adopt Senator Johnson's amendment. That's the appropriate way to go, not to try to muddy up 466 and hope one more time the court is going to say, you did not meet the test. And I don't care about the dollars it costs us. That's not the issue. The issue is young people's lives, both the female and the viable human being. That's what we are dealing with. That's what we should address. I will support Senator Johnson's amendment.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Cullan. Is Senator Cullan in the sanctuary? Senator Cullan, did you wish to speak? The question is called. Do I see five hands? I do. The question is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay.

CLERK: Senator Nichol voting aye.

SENATOR NICHOL: Record.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 2 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SENATOR NICHOL: Debate has ceased. Senator Vard Johnson.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Mr. Speaker and members of the body, Senator Labeledz did want to make some remarks on this and I said I would be more than happy to yield a little time to her.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Labeledz.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Senator Johnson, Lamb and I also wanted to thank Senator Marsh and Senator Chambers for opposing Senator Johnson's amendment, as I shall do also. The age of majority according to the Nebraska statutes as Section 38-101 states "So, age majority and minority marriage affect all persons under 19 years of age, are declared to be minors, but in case any person marries under the age of 19 years, his minority ends." And then we also have and I would like to read you excerpts from, where Stevens quotes from his opinion in Danforth, "The state's interest in the welfare of its young citizens justifies a variety of protective measures because he or he may not foresee the consequences of his decision, a minor may not lawfully work or travel where he pleases, or even attend exhibitions or constitutionally protected