

confusing to me that Senator Pirsch voted against the amendment yesterday to fund pregnant women on ADC during their term of pregnancy, but at the same time she voted for the strikers to receive ADC benefits. And I hate to think that any woman would put an ADC benefit for a striker ahead of a pregnant woman. Yesterday also...or it is in the daily Journal today, Senator Haberman said that due to...and it is in your Journal, due to my having a constituent from my district at my desk during the vote on the first part of LB 7, I voted yes and wish to have that record show that I would have voted no had I not been distracted. Senator Pirsch also mentioned that there may be many others the same as Senator Haberman. I would like to think on an issue as important as a pregnant woman and the points that I brought up on abortion but was very small yesterday that everybody was listening, and I do have another record here in the Daily Record where Senator Bill Barrett said, had I been present during the first part of the divided question on LB 7, I would have voted in the affirmative. So I am asking the 25 Senators that voted yesterday confirm their support of that amendment even though Senator Haberman has changed his mind. I will not go into the abortion issue. I know you have heard that from me for five years now, but I hope and sincerely pray that you will go ahead and do what you did yesterday and approve the amendment as presented by the committee.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, Senator Bernice, I did not change my mind. I would have voted no yesterday. So I...yes you did. Well, anyway, Senator Fowler said and Senator Fowler insinuated that a woman who is pregnant is saying, if I can't have the money, I am going to get an abortion. That is what he said. He said that if we don't pay them, they are going to be inclined to have an abortion. Now I can't believe this. We could turn it around and say it the other way. The woman could say, I am going to get pregnant and then I can get more money. There is two sides to every coin, so look at it any way that you want to. But I am standing up here and supporting Senator Pirsch because I voted in error yesterday, and I don't think I am going to have any constituents come down to my desk any more when we are on serious debate. Thanks to you, Senator Labeledz. But I wish to support Senator Pirsch and I have had my little say and I ask those people, you Senators, to support her also.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Wesely.