

language, assistance in completing the standard application and affidavit forms for persons who file an application and affidavit for protection order. This is information that must be given to that person. So a right which a person who is to benefit from it has no knowledge of, is not really a right, it's a mockery if anything. So what I am hoping the members will do today is to vote in favor of the motion to reconsider, then vote in favor of Senator Lynch's very reasonable amendment. We know that the subject of abortion is a wrenching, tearing, bitter area of discussion. Out in the streets the discussion generally degenerates into name calling by both sides, not really a discussion of the issues to see who can be persuasive, but an attempt to see who can generate the most noise to shout down or overpower the other. We know that abortion clinics have been bombed even when women were inside to have an abortion. So the irony in a set of circumstances such as that is that those who are opposed to having an abortion are willing to kill the mother and the fetus at one fell swoop. I would hope that on the floor of the Legislature the record of the discussions on this bill, and especially this amendment, will reflect favorably on the Legislature by showing we dealt with the actual issues involved and attempted to engage each others mind for the purpose of persuading. I'm going, for the record, to read some of this language. The clerk of each court in the state shall maintain copies of a written statement providing the name, address and telephone number of each court in the state and a brief description of the procedures for obtaining an order pursuant to Section 3 of this act. A copy of the statement shall be posted and copies shall be made available in such place that members of the general public can obtain a copy of the statement without requesting such copy from court personnel. The courts shall provide a copy of such statement to the Department of Health. The department shall forward a copy of the statement to all licensed physicians, hospitals, clinics, family planning projects, school nurses and school counselors in Nebraska who shall make copies of the statement available upon request. I think it would be the cruelest of hoaxes to create the impression that a methodology is being incorporated in the statute by which one of these unfortunate young women will be able to obtain the requisite permission for an abortion in the absence of being able to obtain it from her parent or parents. The hoax would exist if we create that impression, then deny the means for that offered assistance to be carried out. If there is a legitimate argument against this amendment, I'm going to sit here with my thinking cap on, my ears open, my mind open, to