

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR LINDSAY: ...because that is what has been decided so far. There are a lot of other issues that we're going to be struggling with. Senator Bernard-Stevens and Senator Schimek's proposal, dealing with child care, is extremely attractive. I don't think, I don't think anybody just wants to turn these scared teenagers lose and have to deal with some of the stark realities of a pregnancy. I think everybody in here has compassion for those girls. Most of us, I think, start from different premises as to whether there is one life or two lives involved when we're dealing with an abortion procedure. It is a tough issue, I think bracketing the bill merely postpones dealing with a tough issue for several months. I think it's in the best interests of the State of Nebraska, of the people that we go ahead and take up the issue now rather than next year. I would oppose the bracket motion.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Chambers, please, followed by Senator Schimek and Senator Nelson.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I would just like to commend Senator Lynch for his presentation because the approach he took allowed us all to lower our voices as we discuss this issue, and I've paid attention to the quality of the debate, and it has been dealing with matters of substance, and I think a record of a debate such as this on this type of issue should be conducted in that fashion. He mentioned something that really struck me, and it was where he said he had talked to his pastor and others about this being an imperfect world. That is true and we have to view and look at the reality of it. I was reading an article, not long ago, about the converts in Africa, of all places, that the Catholic Church is acquiring. And there are Africans who become priests, but they have their own view about the world, the relationship between men and women and the value of the family, so they get married and they have children. And the Vatican became so concerned that they wrote to the bishop and told him that he's got to tell these priests that they're supposed to be celibate and all these other things. So the bishop wrote back to the Vatican and said, it's your job to find angels. In other words, in Africa there is a much realer viewpoint taken toward life. There are not men who are going to say they're celibate and then do something else. And we do have circumstances where nuns and priests who