

offer? What is their choice? Could be run away. Could be back alley. Could be suicide. My kids have said to me they know of kids in that position. They know of kids that couldn't face this alternative. So while the easiest, easiest thing in the world would be for me to vote to support 769, I can't. My kids told me I can't because they have compassion for these young girls their age, that they need someway to go on with life. They are too young to end it. I am sorry about getting real emotional about this.

PRESIDENT: One minute, please.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: But it is very difficult to stand up here and say you can't support this because it makes great sense. I thank Senator Lynch for giving us the opportunity to at least look at what is going to happen this summer with the Supreme Court decision, and give us either an overturning of Roe-Wade or, if not that, better clarification of what our duties as lawmakers are. I think the least that we can do is wait until that decision comes down and make a better choice, because 769 may be very fragile but doesn't make a good policy. It doesn't have the compassion for a small population that we, as state senators, need to be just as cognizant of as we are our own kids. I will support the bracket motion.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Beck, followed by Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR BECK: Mr. President and members of the body, I think that there has been many, many good things said here today. And we find again that issues are not black and white, they are often grey. But I stand after Senator Hannibal's eloquent and compassionate plea, I stand against the bracketing of this motion. I'm probably the least experienced of any of the legislators here. I'm number 49 out of 49, and I've watched and observed some things since that first January day that we began, and I've learned a couple of things, and one of those is that oftentimes, if we have a bill with a lot of amendments, I've heard people say, both legislators, lobbyists, and just watchers of the body, that that is not particularly a good bill. I think the bill came through Judiciary and they put good amendments on it. And I think that that is the way that we should vote for it. Another thing I've learned is I see so often someone will put a kill motion on another's bill, and oftentimes, most times that senator that has the kill motion put up, unless it's a