

up and be taken. But now we have two competing statutes in place and that should show the lack of sincerity on the part of those pushing this bill. They just want anything done. Now I handed around two handouts this morning, one was describing how 14 groups have finally gotten together to make some public statements about their opposition to this bill and the direction that it is going. Two other provisions were based on articles, one, where a consent...no this wasn't the consent. Ronald Reagan's administration had passed some regulations saying that clinics could not advise with reference to abortion and an appeals court struck that down saying it intruded into the relationship between the doctor and the woman and those regulations could not be enforced.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: This bill intrudes into that relationship also.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Bernard-Stevens, discussion on the motion to reconsider.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and members of the body, actually I am not going to speak pro or con to the bill at all because I think the body has to make a procedural decision...a procedural decision on where and how we are going to deal with this bill today in this session. And I guess I would like to have a clarification from the Speaker before I go on. Number one, is it the Speaker's intent that after today, regardless of what we do on the suspension motion, that the bill, if it remains on General File, would not be brought up again this particular session?

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Bernard-Stevens, that's a difficult question that you ask. I will not give you a definitive answer. However, I am very quick to tell you that, in my calculations, we have approximately 50 hours, give or take, left in this legislative session. It would seem that the chances of this bill being scheduled again would be less than 50/50.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: I thank the Speaker and I think I realize where he's going. Members of the body, and I think I speak more towards those that have been more prone to support 769 without any changes. What we, basically, have is a procedural question here. I mean, I want to make sure the body