

bill. There are no indications of any willingness on the part of those that sit there professing to say we've got to allow the parents the right of notification, to make it happen. We have debate this bill day after day after day. There is no willingness on the part of anyone that supports this bill to listen to the fact that this bill will do nothing for parental notification. She gets the abortion by the other processes that are provided in the bill. If we want notification and we want to...for those of us that oppose abortion, I don't understand where they are coming from when they can't support trying to do some things to try to increase that awareness of the girl of what is going to happen. I am going to state one more time and then I'm going to sit down. I'm not going to talk about this bill one more time.

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR SMITH: And that is, I oppose abortion, I support parental notification and this bill will not make that happen. I'd like to give the remainder of my time to Senator Ashford, please.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Forty seconds, Sir.

SENATOR ASHFORD: Briefly, if you'll look...the reason why the bracket is appropriate, two reasons. One, we'll get an opinion from the Supreme Court by January, and, secondarily, please look at 28-347 which is in the statutes. You have, as I've said over and over and over and over and over again, you have a parental notification bill law in effect today. You have a law. This is a very curious situation where we're trying to pass another law that is exactly like the law we have. We have a law. The reason we're having to vote on 769 is a litmus test, pure and simple. We have a law in effect. No one is going to be harmed until January. It's very unique. We have a law that can be enforced tomorrow. The bracket is appropriate...

SPEAKER BARRETT: Time.

SENATOR ASHFORD: ...and we can then wait for the Supreme Court to make its decision. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. A reminder that we are discussing the motion to bracket the bill. Senator Labeledz, followed by Senator Moore and Landis.