

PRESIDENT: Everybody? Oh, the Clerk tells me I'm not correct on that, so apparently I didn't remember correctly.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: (Microphone not activated) the Clerk.

PRESIDENT: That's okay...maybe that's what we should be doing. All are here that are not excused. We will have a roll call vote on ceasing debate. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Roll call vote read. See page 507 of the Legislative Journal.) 31 ayes, 2 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Debate has ceased. Senator Chambers, would you like to close, please. Now we're on your amendment to the Schimek amendment...Schimek motion.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Right. Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, so that it's clear where we are, Senator Schimek offered a motion to bracket and inserted a date with which I disagree so my amendment has a different date to establish when we would consider this bill, or before which we would not consider it. There are a lot of issues that we have talked about, some in greater depth than others. There are many issues we have just mentioned without going into depth on and all of them do have a part to play in this overall discussion. Senator Dierks had an interesting letter to the editor in last night's Journal, and a part that is particularly interesting to me is his last statement. It was on LB 514, I believe that was the number of the bill, that he had voted against and he felt that in writing an editorial about his remarks the paper had misquoted him. But he concluded with this paragraph. "I certainly do not trivialize the issue of teen pregnancy or view it as less than tragic, but", and this is remarkable to me, "I question the wisdom and the track record of involving the public schools in a very private matter." What we're doing is taking people with no training in medicine of any kind and involving them in the most private, intimate matter that can ever befall a woman, people who don't even know the woman, who have no regard for her, no concern for the circumstances in which she finds herself, no questions as to how she came to be pregnant, none of that. I have given Senator Labeledz pretty much of a free ride up to now, but she criticized Senator Bernard-Stevens the other day because, in talking about the rights of various groups, he did not mention the rights of what she termed the unborn. But what