

I have to say to Senator Labeledz, or with reference to Senator Labeledz, is that while serving on the Franklin Committee she saw information that gave, in great detail, the types of abuse that some young people were subjected to in a foster home. And we were all appalled and said we were. But to take a young woman who in that setting may have gotten pregnant and compel her to go right back to that hell hole that we all were appalled about and be subjected to additional abuse would show a type of moral blindness. From what I read in the paper, Senator Labeledz even wept about some of the things that we had brought to us. And those are the types of settings where you are going to compel young women to go, under a bill like LB 769. So how can we say we're concerned about these young people and then have a situation like that created by law which would return them to that kind of abuse? We know the abuse is there. We know the abuse is going to occur and we compel them to go back and face that monster, which we would not face and I would venture to say that a number of people who are voting for this bill, if they had a 13-year-old child or 14-year-old, or knew somebody with one, who got pregnant and they knew that carrying a fetus to term could jeopardize that young woman's health forever...

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...would not find some way to help her in the early stages if it was determined that she was pregnant, to have that pregnancy terminated. And I will tell you what my position is, and I said it the other day and I will say it again. Call me murderer all you want to, I'm concerned about the young women who live right now, who are identifiable and recognizable as full-fledged, fully developed human beings and we have no regard for their rights and how their future forever can be ruined. This bill makes no exception for a young woman who may have been kicked out in the street by her family, and she's got to run back to that same situation and say, I'm pregnant and I want to get an abortion. You don't have anything in the law that requires anybody to inform her of this judicial bypass. You put chains on her. You throw her out of the boat into the water and say, take heed lest you get wet, because if you do, you will be punished. You bind her arms so that she cannot move them, throw her out in the middle of the river and say, swim to shore. And, with all due respect to Senator Labeledz, God speed. How much more...

PRESIDENT: Time.