

little bit, but still the parents would be there and they in times may force the girl to have an abortion that she may want...not want to have. So I think it works both ways. But, as yet, I would like to have the proponents of this legislation really be able to stand up and tell us what the merits of the legislation is, excepting a way of delaying abortion and still not being able to recognize the fact that it takes education and that we need to help these kids and we need to help that child after it's born...

SPEAKER BARRETT: Time.

SENATOR NELSON: ...and I'm looking for that.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Landis, please, on the motion to return. Senator Bernard-Stevens. Senator Chambers, Senator Morrissey on deck.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, whenever Senator Crosby speaks on an issue, I do pay particular attention because I think she is able to kind of rightly divide issues out of just kind of a morass of items and she made a statement that I'm going to ask her about to see if I clearly understood, then I'm going to see if she has an answer to a question I would like to put to her. Senator Crosby, and I'm just asking this to see if I have your position correct. Do you...would you answer a question? Did you say that, in your opinion, life begins at conception or when the sperm fertilizes the egg?

SENATOR CROSBY: At conception, right.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And is it also your opinion that that, at that point, is a full-fledged human being?

SENATOR CROSBY: It's a human being, yes, genetically and otherwise.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Based on the discussion that I had earlier, and I don't know if you were following it...

SENATOR CROSBY: Yes, I was.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay, I had talked about the in vitro or in the dish fertilization that occurs. In your opinion, those