

Senator Schimek's time back to her now.

PRESIDENT: Okay, thank you. Do you want it, Senator Schimek?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you, Mr. President, I do.

PRESIDENT: You have three and a half minutes left.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you. I don't have my thoughts very well organized on what I want to say, so forgive me if I stumble a little, but I just have to respond to the mixing of issues here. On one hand we are talking about the abortion and the notification issue, and on the other hand, we are trying to bring in the death penalty issue. And to me, those are not issues that are comparable. In one case, you have people on the abortion issue who genuinely disagree with each other about when life actually begins. So some people believe that life begins at conception, some believe that life does not begin until the fetus is viable, others do not even believe that life begins until a baby is born. So that when you talk about abortion to some people that does not mean taking a life, and that is in a separate category as an individual kind of decision. We are not talking about the state demanding that a woman receive an abortion. We are talking about a woman electing an abortion. On the other hand, when we talk about the death penalty, we are talking about the state being involved in the taking of a life, and I am not sure that the old supposition that if you are against one and against the other, that you are consistent in your position. It depends on your personal beliefs a lot. With Senator Crosby, I think she is very consistent because she believes that life begins at conception, but I just wanted to point out that I don't think...I think that we are dealing with two different kinds of issues here and I don't think that we want to confuse them. I will turn on my light because I would like to talk about notification and how devastating it can be to the family and to a minor's psychological development but I don't begin to have enough time to expand upon that issue. So I will stop with that, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: All right, thank you. Senator Landis, please, followed by Senator Chambers, then Senator Schimek.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. There are a large number of abortions in this country every year. The age breakdown is such that 26 percent occur among teenagers; 33