

clear that the people who take pains to write you or call on you don't want what they consider to be an article of faith perhaps a passionately held belief to be interpreted as something less. It won't help if you see them as people merely defending a way of life or merely influenced by secular feminism or some other line of thought. How can the abortion issue be constructed as a religious issue? If some believes...if someone believes that a divine creator is the ultimate source of human life from the moment of conception, that human life because of its divine origin is sacred and that human beings have been entrusted with the care and preservation of life by the Creator then human interference in the generative process is a destruction of God's gift and a violation of the divine will in command. Or if someone believes that human beings are endowed by the Creator with distinctive capacity for reason and choice, that they are co-creators with God...

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: ...and have responsibility for ordering of life that they have an inherent dignity and that rights are a way of protecting it and that one's God-given body is ultimately associated with one's dignity and identity, then government interference with any of these is also a violation of God's creation and God's will. Some Americans hold both of these sets of beliefs or variations of both of them. Because of this, they will tend to see abortion as a conflict situation, forcing a decision between cherished yet rival goods. For them, abortion is a tragedy. It should generally be avoided but in many situations there are competing values of good or rights and in some of these they will say, it may be justifiable to take embryonic or fetal life.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Time. A motion on the desk, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, I do. Senator Chambers would ask unanimous consent to bracket LB 688.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Clerk, since there was an objection, would you read the motion in its entirety so that people will know what it...?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chambers' bracket motion is until