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SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, obviously, if this motion is adopted, this bill will not be considered again this session unless a motion is made subsequent to today to unbracket it. But it gives a way out of this quagmire. I saw some of the big guns at the back of the Chamber trying to work together a way to extricate us from the problem that we find ourselves in. They've got about as much chance of that as a may fly extricating a horse fly from a spider's web. It's just not going to happen. This is not an issue that lends itself to that kind of manipulating. Now there can be arrangements whereby people will forsake their principles but what is being planned and worked out is not a compromise because there is none possible. This matter is too serious to be compromised anyway. If the bill that is being amended into 688 covered more subjects than it does or more aspects of the abortion issue than it does, then what could be called a compromise may be possible by saying in exchange for people supporting one part of it they will give up or relinquish another part. But here nothing is being given up by those want LB 769. Something is being given up only by those who are trying to fashion what they call a compromise and it is not a compromise. The issue has to be continually discussed in the way we've been talking about it. I said I would be here till midnight. Thirty-nine from 60 is 21. Is it four hours or five hours? Four hours. You know, I thought I had an extra hour to go. Senator Beyer, bless you. I thought I had five hours to go and I was feeling just the slightest bit of weariness but with that revelation from Senator Beyer I'm reinvigorated. My spirit has been refreshed. Why I can literally go all night and I'm going to demonstrate that I can do that, that I will do it and I'm determined to do it. Here is something I have to add though before I continue. This has not been what people would ordinarily characterize as a filibuster because there has been a discussion of the issue. There have been offerings of information bearing directly on various aspects of the abortion or antiabortion question. And that will continue to be the case from my part. I'm going to continue now with that Christian Science article I was reading because some people said they wanted to know what the outcome of this would be. And I had left off where the person was talking about when abortions were performed how the police would come in and be all over them. I'm continuing the article now. "For women, these restrictions proved disastrous. Just as births were promoted, the