

Bernard-Stevens time is up. You are now recognized to speak on your own time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. ...shrieking like banshee's and then saying they do this because they love this woman. That's how they show love. There are parents who show love in that fashion, but we call them child abusers. There are ministers whose creeds and doctrines require the infliction of very severe and injuring corporal punishment on children to literally beat the hell out of them. And that is supposed to be what they call tough love. But these people who administer that do not want that tough love administered on them. If a police officer should come upon one of these loving parents brutalizing a child and would decide to use his or her nightstick to administer some tough love, then the cry of police brutality would be raised. And the officer could say, I'm just showing the same love that you show toward your child. Prior to coming in contact with you, my concept was different, but you have convinced me that this represents love. So, if that is love, it's a perversion of what the concept ordinarily means. This is not a bill that reflects love toward the woman. It is a bill designed to harass. There is nothing, nothing positive or beneficial to a woman or anybody else when she would have to be told of "the anatomical and physiological characteristics of an unborn child at the gestational point of development at which time the abortion is to be performed. Now, abortion shall mean, according to this bill, any act, procedure, device or prescription administered to a woman known, by the person so administering, to be pregnant. And what does pregnant mean? In line 22 of page 2 pregnant shall mean that condition of a woman who has unborn human life within her as the result of conception. And what does conception mean? Conception shall mean the fecundation of the ovum by the spermatozoa, which means, based on this bill, a particular view of when life starts has been incorporated into the law. As soon as an egg is fertilized by the sperm, that woman is pregnant. Whether or not the egg has implanted in the uterus, she is pregnant. So at that point she has to be told if she's going to obtain some procedure which, if it weren't for the definition in this bill, would not be considered an abortion, of the anatomical and physiological characteristics. So what would that mean? Whoever is performing the abortion, whether a doctor or not, would have to say the egg has been fertilized by the sperm, there is probably twice as much cellular material there as before, and this is called a zygote. And that helps her. What