

which is one of counseling, and I hope that all of you will give it some thoughtful consideration and we will come closer to coming up with good policies for our young people. Thank you.

**SPEAKER BAACK:** Thank you, Senator Rasmussen. Mr. Clerk, an amendment to the amendment.

**CLERK:** Mr. President, Senators Hillman and Rasmussen would move to amend the amendment. Senator, I have AM1153 that you filed with me this morning. (See page 1567 of the Legislative Journal.)

**SPEAKER BAACK:** Senator Hillman.

**SENATOR HILLMAN:** Yes, I would move to amend the amendment, and look on page 3, strike line 3 and insert, the repeat of physician assistant, and none of whom is employed by clinic or facility at which the abortion is to be performed. The reason for this amendment is to look at those people in counseling, that they would be no...would not in any way be involved in an abortion clinic. There has been some concern from local constituency with the amendment that there is some monetary gain, and we would not want that to happen. I wouldn't want any unbiased pressure in looking at counseling and so we would offer this as an amendment to the amendment, again, to make sure anyone working at an abortion facility or clinic would not be involved in the counseling.

**SPEAKER BAACK:** Thank you, Senator Hillman. I have a number of lights on. I will check with you and see if you wish to address this amendment to the amendment by Senator Hillman. Senator Chambers, do you wish to address this amendment to the amendment?

**SENATOR CHAMBERS:** Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, Senator Rasmussen gave a very rational well-reasoned statement. I think the comments that she made were correct and on target. I hope that some of them do not come to pass, but as she pointed out with the emotional and religious underpinnings to this issue, unfortunately, some of those dire predictions may turn out to be correct. Since this could be a very long journey, and even the longest journey starts with the first step, it probably would be wise to deal with this bill and the amendments as they come up one at a time. So rather than give my overall philosophy relative to my belief that a woman has the right to