

Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I would like to ask Senator Labeledz a question or two about her amendment as drafted.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Labeledz, would you respond, please.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Yes, Senator Lynch, I mean, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Labeledz, is this amendment supposed to relate to what currently exists in LB 425?

SENATOR LABEDZ: Yes, it is the intent of LB 425.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: All right. On page 1 in line 11 of your amendment are the two words "immature minors", those words are found nowhere in the bill, so what does immature minors mean and what does it relate to?

SENATOR LABEDZ: We do relate to the minors that are not mature enough to make a decision and often lack the ability to make fully informed choices.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay, so when you say immature...

SENATOR LABEDZ: Then they would be immature.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So when you say immature minors in your amendment, it means the same thing as the words not mature on page 5, line 3 of the bill where it's talking about the judicial bypass. That's the only place where I see not mature in connection with the pregnant woman. It does not say immature minor anywhere in the bill. In fact, I don't know if the word "minor" appears in the bill. It talks about an unemancipated woman. If we turn to page 3 of the bill we have a definition of pregnant woman and it says, and I'm reading this to give you time to look at what you're looking for, pregnant woman shall mean an unemancipated woman under 19 years of age who is pregnant. So it does not use the term minor, it does not use the term immature. It says, unemancipated woman under 19 years of age. So does your term immature minors mean the same thing as the definition of pregnant woman on page 3 of the bill?

SENATOR LABEDZ: Yes.