

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Thank you. Our next speaker is Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I wanted to ask Senator Labeledz a question, but since she stepped out for a moment I'll say a few things and then hope that she gets back before my time runs out. It is difficult, as I stated earlier, for me to understand why we want to withhold information. Senator Labeledz and the others on this bill are the ones who put this very information into the bill. Now she is offended because we want her information to be made available to those who are affected by it. If giving them that information will somehow cause a harm, how can she, who says she is acting from a position of morality, put into the law information which in and of itself is evil? I want to ask Senator Labeledz why she is supporting this evil language in the law, if, on the other hand, the language is not evil and it serves a beneficial purpose. Why Senator Labeledz is against making this information that she supports available to the ones who are affected by it. It seems incongruous to me. And if she can hear my voice she'll know what I would have asked in the question. Oh, here's the question, Senator Labeledz. Why will you support Senator Smith's amendment, which says that this kind of information ought to be given to a young woman, but then you won't support its being added to the bill?

SENATOR LABEDZ: I support Senator Smith's amendment because, as I said once on General File, if you can recall, there was three sisters that for nine years were sexually abused by their father and had ten abortions, and we allowed those young people to go back to that situation, so I believe any time we can notify the authorities that there is abuse, sexual abuse in the family, then they should be...the proper authorities should be notified.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, here's what...okay.

SENATOR LABEDZ: But I would accept your amendment, as I said before, if you would be willing to repeal or reject the Withem amendment that was adopted on General File, because we certainly don't need both.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Senator Labeledz. I don't think Senator Labeledz understood, really, my question. She's talking about the doctor having to notify the authorities about the abuse. What Senator Smith's amendment does is to say that the