

SENATOR MORRISSEY: One minute.

SENATOR NELSON: ...sex and what the consequences are, but when I see children trying to raise children or when I see they're always the same thing, well, there's plenty of people willing to adopt. I don't think that's true. They will not adopt a child of a different color of skin, they will not adopt an alcohol syndrome child. There's many, many of those children being born. These women sometimes cannot then afford prenatal care and so who does that then...who is responsible for that? Of course, we taxpayers through Medicaid. I just see this as a bill that simply at this time until the courts overrule is absolutely going no place and we all know that in this body so I would hope that we realize that and move on and tend to other business within the Legislature at this time. Thank you.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Time. Thank you, Senator Nelson. Senator Landis is our next speaker.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, responding to Senator Lindsay's last speech, he pointed out that abortion clinics are not especially regulated under the outpatient clinic statutes and rules of the Department of Health, the reason being that they are a very narrow focus and do not offer those kinds of services which follow or fall into the normal procedures. What was uncontradicted, on the other hand, was the fact that a doctor who performs an abortion is subject to professional standards, first; is subject to medical liability, second; is subject to general criminal liability, third; is subject to special statutory regulations for this procedure, fourth, and if family planning clinics are suffering under a gag rule and, sixth, there is a vigilanteism out there designed to control, operate and intimidate people from using abortion clinics. On the other hand, although I think that constitutes a significant amount of regulation, Senator Lindsay did raise allegations in a recent lawsuit in Omaha pointing out that he thinks that that is evidence of at least an allegation of mismanagement and mis...and poorly performed service. There certainly is another side to the story of that case. The person who is suing, a Ms. Reay., is not suing for any kind of punishment or penalty for misperformed or malpractice by clinic personnel or doctors. In fact, the doctor that is complained of in that news article is not even a named party to the lawsuit, thus the lawsuit has nothing to do with the conduct of doctors, what it has to do with is a claim for