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going to say time out on that, that's the way I feel when we're talking about an abortion question. But when we're talking about the women who are trying to carry the babies to term, and I'm using their terminology, they say these are babies, these are unborn children, these are not merely masses of tissue. They don't want to call it a fetus, they don't want to call it an embryo. But now that we're talking about taking assistance from the women whom they insist carry these children to term, they say time out, duck their heads, tuck tail and run like the moral cowards that they are. And then, if we have an antiabortion bill again, they will strip off that appearance of being cowards and stand up strong and advocate the position of their church. But they are not concerned about the women. They are not concerned about these unborn children as they call them. This is the time to vindicate those principles. It takes nothing to say you're going to vote for a bill that places a burden on a woman that's going to have an abortion, because that doesn't cost you anything, it only is that negative, hateful act against women. And to show hatred against women costs nothing and it's popular. But now that we're talking about putting some money where all of that posturing, all of that rhetoric,...

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...all of that hypocritical conversation takes place, you're going to back off and run for cover. I started to read from the transcripts of former debates that we had. But I'm not going to do that because we all know who the strong antiabortionists are in here, and we all know who the so called pro-life people are, who say they're for women, who say they're for children. But when money comes into play it all goes out the window. Senator Wesely and I were over here, discussing the other day, the supreme being, and I was saying it's the federal government, and Senator Wesely said it's the money, not just the one who pulls the purse strings, and he's right. And the American treasury has been honest, they put on that dollar, in God we trust, and the dollar is that God. And that is what is moving this Legislature on this issue. You will sell out your principles for \$5 million spread over 3 years,...

SPEAKER BAACK: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...then don't talk about Judas Iscariot, who took 30 pieces of silver, because at least his was up front.