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phase of the debate because it's an opportunity for you to say the things that you want to say, that you're thinking, and ask the questions that you want to ask, and I surely hope that you'll vote for this motion to reconsider because then maybe if Senator Chambers decides to divide the question, we could talk about one part of it without the other overshadowing. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Crosby. Senator Chambers, you're next.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I wish some people were here who need to hear some things and I could ask them some questions, but I don't see them. So I will address my comments to those who are here, but I won't call them by name, they know who they are. Many times I tie issues together, what we have done and said in the past, for the purpose of giving context to what it is we're doing in the present. I have heard many statements on this floor about the need to improve the condition of women. The female legislators put together a committee, a Select Committee to look at issues related to women. Whether a person is going to say that a woman was put in this world to bear children and stay in the kitchen and be a housewife, or whether she should have the prerogative to do with her life whatever she chooses, as men have been given that prerogative, except during a shameful period of this countries history covering several centuries when people of my complexion were owned as property and not given any prerogatives. But aside from that, regardless of the attitude toward the status of a woman, it would be difficult to say that there is anything more tied up with being a woman than having a child. Now what ought to happen to her, or what her status ought to become as a result of having that child is not the question that I'm talking about right this minute. But what I am talking about is the fact that those who have done so much, and by the way I'm considered the biggest sexist in the state and I'm considered to be the biggest racist in the state by uninformed ignoramuses out there, but nevertheless, these people who based on the ones who sent them down here and think all of the other representatives are a better caliber of person than I am, don't seem to have that consistency in their actions that should flow from the principles that they espouse. If anybody can back away from a principle because money is involved, if anybody can embrace a principle because money is involved there is a name they apply to a person like that, if they do it on the