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SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Crosby. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I support Senator Crosby's amendment as a step toward doing that which is more equitable than what is contemplated by this bill. To draw an analogy, the Legislature stands like a hooded executioner, and on her knees with her neck on the chopping block is the pregnant woman. So the Legislature raises the axe, and, as the axe begins to fall, all Senator Crosby is telling you to do is delay the swing. You're going to be able to carry it through, which is your desire, but delay it and don't chop her head off right this instant. The Governor brought this bill to the Legislature, but he's running all over the country politicking, he's out in New York now, or someplace, if what I heard on the radio is correct. So he's having fun. Everything is wine and roses for him. Let the good times roll because the legislators are the ones who are really taking the assistance from the poor pregnant woman, not the Governor. He's no more responsible for what you all do here individually other than the fact that he can bring political pressure to bear, and some of the cowardly, weak ones in here fold under that pressure, he's responsible for that. But when time comes for the vote you all are responsible. You all remember when old Jesus had been starving himself for 30 days...40 days in the wilderness and Satan came to him and tried to tempt him? Not once did Jesus tell Satan that what he offered him was not true. Not once did Jesus tell Satan that he lied. He told him jump off this mountain, because your angels...they have charge over you and they'll bear you up so you won't hurt your foot. Well, Jesus didn't say that wasn't true, he just said he wasn't going to do it. When Satan showed him all the kingdoms of the world and said, just bow down and say that I'm top cat and you can have all of this, I can give you all of this, Jesus didn't deny that either. He just said, I won't go for it. Simply because the apple is put before you doesn't mean you have to bite into it. Old Lucifer, in the garden, the wily serpent, more subtle than all the beasts in the field, has brought this apple into this garden, dangling it before the senators, saying, take it from these poor pregnant women, and you all will decide what it is you're going to do. I've talked on occasion, I can't leave old Scott Moore out of this. I've talked on occasion, probably after this I may not anymore, to students that he brings down to Lincoln, and he...I think he probably invites the Governor, too.