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has a name, nobody has a title, and somebody who knows none of them is to judge and say which are good and which are bad. And this person will have to say they can't tell from what they see there. They need some assistance. They need to know a name, a background and so forth. Then we started adding a little bit here, adding a little bit there, and then we go through the thing again. And I'm just wondering how many people in this Legislature, when a true, when a true characterization is given, will be proud of what they have done. All of us have been interviewed by reporters, all of us have had articles written about us. In most instances they're more or less sympathetic, most of you all, in you all's case that is. But even in my case, where they're trying not to be sympathetic, when they tell the truth it only makes me proud to read again about the things that I have given my time to, and the things that I have stood for, and the things that I have done. Many of you are going to have a little trouble with bills like LB 20. And I just want to keep you thinking about it, if I can. When you go to feast at the lobbyists table, if they set you up for that during this special session, I want there to be something in the back of your mind nagging you just a little bit, if that is possible. What I want to nag you is the difference between what you state you believe and the things that you have done here. I'm going to get a list, even though I know anyway, of all those so called pro-life senators and demonstrate the politics behind it all. I have said on this floor, and Senator Labeledz would get very angry, that people were just voting the way their church told them to vote, and if the church changed its position, they would change theirs. And many of them got offended and said, not so. But that is the truth. The proof of it is that we have now an opportunity to put some money into the vindication of that position that is taken by the so called pro-life senators. We're dealing with women who actually are pregnant. We're dealing with pregnant women who are in need, they have assistance requirements. And whereas we can understand giving freebies to ourselves and others, we don't want to do that which is just for these poor people. I have offered this motion to reconsider Senator Crosby's amendment for at least two reasons. The main one is that I would like you to vote to reconsider. The second one is that I want the opportunity to talk about this issue and talk about my colleagues. A third one, which is far down on the list, is to help us pass some of this time that we have here. These days that seem so unpleasant now, when you all get older, some of you aren't going to be around too much longer, but you will be for a while longer, will be the good old