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this amendment will bring to LB 20. The way LB 20 is written right now is that for a two-year period they will receive nothing, then after that two-year period things go back to the way they are now. With this amendment, they will still go back to the way they are now after two years, but in that intervening time they will get assistance for the last three months of their pregnancy. And I hope that that is clear. I have agreed to this arrangement and if it's adopted, then there is no further purpose that would be served by my extending the debate. That would be as much as can be obtained and achieved on this bill during this special session. And anytime I have remaining I will turn over to Senator Lindsay who is the introducer of the bill.

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

SENATOR LINDSAY: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I think Senator Chambers has said how the suggested language would work. Let's talk some figures. What are we looking at? As originally drafted, it would have saved, I believe, 5.4 million. The way this acts right now is that it will save 4 million. It will save, what, 70 percent or so of what we were looking at. That's 4 million over the course through the end of '95 fiscal year. I certainly think it's a situation where we could hold out and continue to go...go on and on, and I'm not...I'm not above doing that, I guess, but we do have the realities that people have...that we have other legislation we've got to take a look at and we would like to take a look at that. So, with that, I am going to vote for the Chambers amendment. I'm going to vote for the advancement of LB 20. And I would be happy to try to answer any questions that you might have.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Lindsay. Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Mr. Speaker and members, I, too, rise in support of the amendment. Along with Senator Lindsay, we did discuss it with Senator Chambers and Senator Crosby and the others who have been concerned about the issue. I have passed around for you a copy of the language. It should be on your desk. It's AM66SS. I think it does, as Senator Chambers says, does provide for the next period of time between December 1 of this year and June 30th of '95 ongoing ADC payments for the last three months of pregnancy and then on the date of June 30, 1995 revert back to the program which started at identification of the pregnancy. The figures earlier I had passed out on a chart