

unkind things said about the women who are pregnant and who are on ADC, and I think if you would look at them as people, you would realize that they are women. As a whole, most of them are trying to get an education, trying to get off of legisla...off of ADC. They're not all teenagers. They're not all women who are living at home with their parents. A woman who has been married for several years could be caught in this dilemma if she is a victim, for instance, of domestic violence or if her husband takes off. There are still women today who end up with no resources when that happens. They have nothing to fall back on, so they have to go on ADC to take care of their children. They could end...and they could also be pregnant at the time that this...the man leaves or that the woman leaves a domestic violent situation that she can tolerate no longer. She has no credit. She has access to no savings accounts. She has to go to a shelter or someplace and get counseling and help to get her into the system. So I think this business of blaming everything on teenage pregnancy is a fallacy. I want to read one thing from the fiscal note because I think this is very complicated. I don't think it's as simple as it's being presented. Just take away the money and everything is okay. It is not because, under option...this is from a technical note on the fiscal note under optional federal regulations, the Department of Social Service may provide a grant to a mother and unborn child in the amount of \$293 if she meets other requirements for ADC and is medically determined to be in her last trimester of pregnancy. You see, some of this is already there. The federal rules and regulations, as I say, are complicated and if you read that note, I think that spells out, to me, that we're not...that passing this bill will just not solve all our problems. For those of you who do not know the history of why we do this, I don't know the year but Bernice Labeledz is the one who fostered and shepherded this legislation to start the ADC payment when the woman could...was ascertained to be pregnant, for the whole nine months. Senator Pirsch, would you just yield for one quick question?

SENATOR PIRSCH: Uh-huh. That was 1982 and I was here at that time.

SENATOR CROSBY: Did you vote for that bill?

SENATOR PIRSCH: No, I did not.

SENATOR CROSBY: Well, all right, that makes me feel a little