

better because you project yourself as a pro-life senator and, for me, this is a life issue always. When we are talking about the unborn in any way or the pregnancies that women, young women encounter and that they're having a problem with finances and so on, I think we have to do everything that we can to foster that little life. So, for me, I simply cannot vote for anything that I think will endanger that life. And when you say that the...you quote Mary Dean Harvey and that these women can take this money and spend it for anything they want to, none of them have enough money to spend it for much of anything, when it comes right down to it. If you look at the amount of money that anyone of those families receives, it's a very small amount. I would like to see any one of you on this floor try to get along on \$293 a month. You can't do it. You wouldn't even be able to pay rent on an apartment or a room. That's why a lot of them end up riding around in a car. They have a car. They park someplace, the homeless. You go to the mission, you go to the missions, any of those places, you will find ADC families who have not been able to cope with the whole trouble.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR CROSBY: They are, many of them, poor in spirit. I know that. They cannot cope but we are obligated, morally and as governmental entities, to help them. So I can't vote for this bill as it stands. I did vote for the amendment yesterday and I thank Senator Wesley for bringing that. I will turn my light on and talk about a couple of other facets of it that I want to. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Crosby. Senator Pirsch.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Thank you, Madam President. Members of the body, actually this does not have a very long history that we have been giving cash to women. In 1982, when I was here we started doing that. Isn't it amazing how hooked we have made people on receiving from government in that short a time? Now, all of a sudden, we can't get along without this cash payments. And I might tell you, Senator Crosby, that Mary Dean Harvey did report, in discussing this in 1992, that actually that almost \$300 in cash per month in the first trimester paid for some abortions. We have no control over what this money goes for. It can go for booze. It can go for pot. It can go for cigarettes, everything that food stamps won't buy. I passed around a list that talks about the other benefits to pregnant