

do you think will be saved if that small additional increase in the bill...oh, if you don't know. It is not a trick question. You don't even have to answer. Forget that question. My main discussion goes to the philosophy behind the bill. Many times we use the example that you are putting a Band-Aid on a wound that requires much more serious treatment than that because the wound is serious. But here is the way we can extend that analogy. If a person gets a splinter in his or her family...finger, and the splinter is removed, a Band-Aid will take care of that because it is a minor wound. But if you don't want to remove the splinter, and it stays in and the finger becomes infected, the hand becomes infected, the arm becomes infected, and you may have to amputate the arm, if you tried to apply a Band-Aid at that point, then we are becoming cynical and using a remedy that does not come close to dealing with the problem to be affected. I am tailgating on what Senator Lindsay said. A Band-Aid approach is all right if you have a Band-Aid level problem. By providing prenatal care, under the terms of this bill, at the level that it is being offered is a way to prevent very serious problems from developing, which would become the kind that the state is going to help pay for because we are talking about impoverished people. I can never become so judgmental or so narrow in my view as to say people, who by definition are poor, and they are the only ones who can qualify, that there is a need of a medical nature which they have and must be established cannot receive the pittance in terms of assistance from the state that will help address that medical problem and help bring about the birth of healthy babies. Now, Senator Pirsch, I am one of those who has been referred to as a baby killer and worse things because I believe in a woman's right to have an abortion. And I do believe in that right, and I won't waiver from it, but the irony to me is that here I am, the one called the baby murderer, the number one baby killer, saying I am...

SPEAKER WITHEM: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...in favor of a program that offers a modest amount of money to assist a poor woman to bring a pregnancy to term and deliver a healthy baby. And on the other side are those who say they are what is called pro-life and they don't believe that a woman should have an abortion, saying that the relatively small pittance of state aid, which would help this woman deliver a healthy baby, should not be given. I say that if we get away from terminology, it would seem that I am far