

amendments around, but I'll tell you what it says. On page 1 of the bill, strike lines 6 through 13 and insert "notwithstanding subsection (2) of this section, (a) commencing July 1, 1995, in awarding aid to dependent children payments, the term dependent child shall include an unborn child, but only during the last three months of pregnancy." And then we strike the rest of the Pirsch amendment which has the graduated numbers as to when those payments will end altogether. And the language that continues says this: "Payments received pursuant to this section shall be used for maternity clothes, layette items, diapers, baby clothing, blankets, feeding supplies, and personal care items for the mother and child." These are things that would not be covered by Medicaid, for instance. There are personal care items for a mother that she could need during a pregnancy. When her skin begins to stretch, sometimes there can be problems with dry skin and so on. Her breasts start swelling and changing and she can experience some discomfort there that are alleviated simply by applying cocoa butter and things like that. And so that we would be sure that she is not using the money for whatever people think she might use it for, this way we will spell it out in the statute and make sure that she does use it for items having to do with her comfort and with the comfort of the unborn baby and in getting ready for that baby. Now people will say because she's already had another baby she should have all these things, but that isn't always necessarily true because a woman who doesn't have a whole lot of money isn't going to have a lot of things just to begin with. Clothes do wear out. Things have to...they get washed a lot and so maybe they can't be used forever. She may have had a garage sale and sold some of those things in order to make a little more money. They...quite often that's one and I know a lot of young women who make the garage sales regularly, people who have money and who don't have money, to try to supplement and because a lot of the clothes are still good. So my point in this amendment is to be sure that we know what she's spending that money for. Now I think Social Services would immediately say, well, there's no way we can do this. Well, what I would suggest, and if we pass this amendment, then I will supply another amendment either here or to the appropriations bill for Social Services to hire 40 extra people, at least, to set up surveillance or whatever to be sure that she does use the money correctly and/or will put in another 2-3 million dollars to set up a new computer system and we can call it whatever you want to call it. We might call it the layette system, the ADC mothers police system. You can call it anything you want but my point,