

and which this...which we had...which we ended up with on General File with this bill. And then I'm eliminating the rest of the Carol Pirsch amendment having to do with in two...in a year, then you go down to two months and so on, and adding to that, that that \$71 that she receives has to be used...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR CROSBY: ...for maternity clothes, layette items, diapers, baby clothing, blankets, feeding supplies and personal care items for the mother and child. I think that's reasonable. I think we should know what she's going...you say so many times we don't know what she uses the money for, as if that's a reason not to give it to her. So let's find out and tell her what she has to do with it. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you. Senator Crosby. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President, members of the Legislature, Senator Crosby's amendment reminded me of a song, part of which I think I remember, maybe it was a song, say, boys, that's where my money goes to buy my baby clothes. The mother's money is going to go to buy her baby clothes, we have already got a song for it. And I think what Senator Crosby is doing is more comprehensive than the language of the bill currently and than Senator Pirsch's amendment. Senator Crosby would say, if her amendment is adopted, that any money received during this three month period, and as I had pointed out to me by one of the staff members, if it is a first-time pregnancy there would be more than \$71 involved, there would be the total grant for a mother and a child, but it would be just for this three month period. To get the items that Senator Crosby has listed here wouldn't take very long to go through \$71 a month or the entire \$213 or 10...\$213 that would be available during that entire three months. So her amendment is reasonable. Here's where I'm having an ongoing problem, when we pick up the newspaper, we don't read about the public angry because an impoverished, pregnant woman received some assistance since during the last three months of her pregnancy. We hear people trying to generate argument against using federal funds to assist a poor woman in obtaining an abortion, but nothing criticizing or condemning the extending of this aid. So here we are, the powerful Legislature of Nebraska, sniffing behind these poor women over three months of assistance during the last trimester of their pregnancy. On the other hand, if you pick up the