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probably never grasp about this issue. Let's talk philosophy for a real brief second. There was an Athenian orator named Demosthenes. He was a politician, but he was a philosopher. He said, wise politicians should march at the head of affairs, not waiting on the event to know what measures to take, but the measures they have taken ought to produce the event. That's what we do here. We produce events. The good ones, and there's plenty of them in here, produce the events. That's why we're here. There was a note that I found, "The Ethics of Embryonic Stem Cell Research in Human Cloning," by Robert P. George. He's an attorney. He quoted the University of Chicago Professor Leon Kass in certain instances, and Kass described the idea of cloning. George went on and said, many people favor legislation that would ban human cloning for reproductive purposes, but permit it for purposes of biomedical research. Commonly, cloning for biomedical research purposes is called therapeutic cloning. Though that language is controversial, George says, I myself reject that term "therapeutic" in this connection because the cloning in question is not for the benefit of the embryo brought into existence by it. In fact, that embryo will be destroyed. This is the last time that I'll ever do this. It's the last time I'll ever bring up my sister on the record or in this Chamber. Philosophically, I don't believe that there's a whole lot of difference between the way my sister lives and the way a human embryo exists. You go to Valley and you walk into my sister's room. She's fed through a tube. She doesn't know me. She doesn't know her mother and father. She doesn't know anyone. The nurses help her up. They move her. You could bring a human embryo into the room and there is no difference. There is one significant difference to me. When I go to sleep, once a month, twice a month I'll have dreams that she just wakes up for 15 minutes and that I have that conversation with her. You can't have that conversation with the human embryo. I understand that. That's there. But guess what? Those dreams came back when my infants were in their mother's womb, and I started having different dreams, not about my sister Beth. They started to transform into a baby sitting on my lap. It was a human embryo, but that baby was sitting on my lap. That is a real dream. I'm not just saying that.

SENATOR RAIKES: One minute.