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SENATOR SCHIMEK: ...you know, we have cells out there right now that are in their umpteenth thousandth generation that we are still using for research purposes. I'm not knowledgeable enough to know if there should be a limit placed.

SENATOR FOLEY: Well, I think the difficulty that many of us are going to have with your amendment is there's really only one thing the scientist can do with the embryo, once he's created it. He can either implant it or he can destroy it.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Well, it might not be the kind of an embryo that would be viable to do that with. I mean, some of these embryos that are created are not viable and cannot exist in a woman's womb, as I understand it. I mean, they're created for a specific research purpose and they have not been fertilized by a sperm. They are...they're not the same thing...

SENATOR FOLEY: Well,...

SENATOR SCHIMEK: ...at all.

SENATOR FOLEY: ...I think they are though. I think they are genetically...

SPEAKER BROMM: Time.

SENATOR FOLEY: Well, out of time. We'll try again.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Foley and Senator Schimek. Mr. Clerk, do you have some items to read?

CLERK: I do, Mr. President, thank you. Your Committee on Enrollment and Review reports they've examined and engrossed LB 46 and LB 46A, and LB 143 and LB 500. Enrollment and Review also reports LB 407, LB 403, LB 403A, LB 408, LB 410, LB 415, LB 424, LB 798, LB 799, LB 804, LB 796, LB 411, LB 412, LB 414, LB 622 to Select File, some of those having Enrollment and Review amendments. Mr. President, a new resolution, LR 86 by Senator McDonald, calling for a study. That will be laid over. And a new A bill, LB 574A by Senator Raikes. (Read by title for the first time.) (Legislative Journal pages 1597-1609.)