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virtually any function at all as a human being.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, you're...

SENATOR FRIEND: I'm not saying you're one of them.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, no, here's...you're talking about how people feel that person functions but you haven't established that they would say that's not a human being or that it's somehow a different form of a human being indicating that it's a subhuman. That is...

SENATOR FRIEND: Do you believe...let me ask you this question. Do you believe that a human being...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay.

SENATOR FRIEND: ...that has lived 75 years and suddenly becomes totally incapacitated and, for lack of a better term, functionally brain dead,...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Uh-huh.

SENATOR FRIEND: ...do you believe that that is still a human being?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: As much so as you and I are.

SENATOR FRIEND: Well, I would agree with that.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay.

SENATOR FRIEND: But here's the kicker. Where did that 75-year-old, who suddenly lost the capacity to think or to speak or to communicate, where did that person's life begin? I think that's where we're going here, isn't it?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: That person's life began when he or she was born, and it will end...

SENATOR FRIEND: Well, there you go.