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an important question, no doubt about it, and we need to talk about that and we need to find solutions to that public policy issue. And I thank him again for raising the issue. But that's not what this bill is about, wasn't then and it isn't now. I ask you to vote no on the Beutler amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Foley. Mr. Clerk, motion on the desk, please.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chambers would move to amend with FA546. (Legislative Journal page 944.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Chambers, you're recognized to open on FA546 to AM1377.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Mr. President, never have I heard so much praise given to a person who brought such a wrongful amendment--praise! And poor Senator Howard, whom I respect, says taking drugs to get through the night simply isn't good enough. What is she talking about? She sees a child born with problems and says somebody is responsible for this and somebody ought to pay. I don't hear her saying that about all these workers she tries to keep getting added to HHS when they don't do their job, that they should be prosecuted criminally, and they're adults and being paid to do a job and are not doing it. But I think people on this floor have more in common with each other and they can understand each other and they stick together. I am the one to whom you listen, but whom you do not hear, and I expect that. Fortunately, what we say is recorded and then transcribed, and people can read our comments and wonder what in the world was going through some of those senators' heads when they made the statements that they did. Here's what my amendment would do. In line 1 of Senator Beutler's amendment, after the number 2, all of the following that I'm going to read to you would be inserted as a part of his amendment, then I will read you the effect of it. Quote: Strike "the mother of the unborn child" and insert "the pregnant woman." And here's how the sentence would read that Senator Beutler is amending: "Any act or conduct that is committed or engaged in by the pregnant woman, except," then you put in Senator Beutler's execrable words. All of this praise, you all