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should, at this point, insure live birth. A third basic point of variance is the protection of the right of hospital staff members, nurses, anesthesiologists, people like this who for personal reasons do not wish to participate in an abortion have the right to refuse and cannot have their jobs put in jeopardy because of this. The Nebraska Medical Association has suggested that these rights do exist. The fact of the matter is that we already have in the state of Nebraska and I have had several of these instances reported to me of medical personnel who have resigned their positions because they did not want to continue participating in abortions or because they did not want to start and so we are spelling out in this bill the fact that these people do have the right to refuse, that their jobs will be protected. They are given civil, criminal, and injunctive rights to protect their job.

PRESIDENT: Thank you, Senator Syas, I appreciate your calling

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