

just don't know, and that I don't think is an intentional voluntary response and reaction. It's something which is absorbed as you grow up in the society. So much emphasis is placed on appearance...yes, Senator Cullan, on attire also, you look pretty sharp this morning. I thought I'd call that to the body's attention...and things which really do not pertain to the worth of an individual. If there is another means short of a statute to require the schools to deal in a forthright and I would hope compassionate way with these problems of retardation, autism, and the other things specified, I would like to use that method short of the statute. But if it takes a statute, how much is it going to hurt for this Legislature, on occasion....

SPEAKER MARVEL: You've got one minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...to put something into the law which indicates that, at least, formally and legally we're willing to do as much as we can to create a climate where all of these people can be considered to be human beings, where their handicaps will not be viewed as something which diminishes their human value, and if we cannot accept these things, not only should abortion be actively pushed, which by the way I don't do, but perhaps we should think of...I won't use the word, but it has to do with eliminating those people who do not meet society's standard of value. If we cannot even talk about and try to give instruction relative to these handicapped, then perhaps those people who suffer from them ought to be eliminated from the society. That is not my recommendation, by the way, because sometimes when I make a remark to make a point, people misunderstand and I want it clear....

SPEAKER MARVEL: You're time is up.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...that I don't believe in eugenics.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Maresh.

SENATOR MARESH: Mr. Speaker, I call for the question.

SPEAKER MARVEL: See five hands. The question's been called for. The question is shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Clerk, record the vote.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 8 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried. The Chair recognizes Senator Murphy.