

happen to be one thing. This program as proposed in this amendment does not exclude Medicaid payments. Medicaid payments are available under this amendment as adopted. Also you have a federal program called WIC and under that guideline when you qualify you can still have almost a \$9,000 a year income and qualify for aid and assistance under this program. So there are programs available to women who are carrying children, unborn children, and they are not out in the cold and I do not believe that they would be forced to seek an abortion simply by this reduction. There is still a maintenance of \$210 in addition to the other programs and assistance that they have available to them. So I would ask you to oppose this particular motion and to proceed with LB 31 as amended. Thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Chizek.

SENATOR CHIZEK: Question.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. The question is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Debate has ceased. Senator Labedz, would you like to close, please?

SENATOR LABEDZ: Yes, I would. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Members of the Legislature, I'm surprised that Senator Beutler said what he did. I'm sure when he was expecting his child that he spent a lot of money in preparation for that child. Let me read you some of the things that the federal government tells a pregnant woman that is receiving help from the federal government needs before the child is born. She needs diapers, a package of cloth diapers. Now that's not saying ten dozen, it's saying one dozen, one-fourth case of paper diapers, waterproof pants, now that's \$4.90 for diapers. Bottles, a Playtex kit is \$10.49, bottle lines, \$2.99, bedding, four sheets, two receiving blankets, one crib blanket, one mattress protector, one car seat that we mandated, said that the child has to be put in a car seat, a baby carrier. The whole total amount of that before the child is born is \$174.33. Now this is the federal government saying this. I'm sure that Senator