

assistance programs. The point is the across the board with everybody cut, or don't cut at all because that is not the fair way to go about it. I think I would very definitely support Senator Chambers' intent here with this amendment and other amendments he will be offering.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Labeledz, then Senator Hoagland.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in support of Senator Chambers' amendment, as I supported his last amendment. Let me read some of the things that he is including in his amendment for Agency 26 to assist the aged, the blind, the disabled to attain the capacity for self-support or self-care, to enable eligible persons to obtain needed medical care, to provide diagnostic evaluations and medical treatment to physically handicapped or crippled children who are financially eligible for the program, to provide payments for diagnostic evaluation and medical treatment to physically handicapped or crippled children, to provide evaluation treatment and residential care for children who require a more disciplined living environment, and to provide for needed medical care for children placed in the Nebraska Center for Children and Youth, and to provide for technical assistance in developing, conducting and administering programs which alleviate poverty to community action agencies. I commend Senator Chambers for what he is trying to do. I have always been and strongly support children programs and those in need, and families in need because I've seen so much of it in my district, indeed, in the City of Omaha. I will come back with an amendment regardless, whether the package is approved or not, to eliminate the cut, not just of the unborn child, but if you look at the cuts for the Appropriations Committee, they also cut the entire program. They also cut the pregnant woman plus the unborn child. To me that is absolutely heartless. It was bad enough the other day when they cut it 613,000, but today the cuts now include an additional 444,000 which is the entire program for the unborn child and the pregnant woman. All we are doing now is sending many of those women, young girls to the abortion clinics. I know that the pro-choice people and the pro-life people, together for the first time in a long time, are opposing this tremendous cut. I will be in there fighting, if this complete package goes through, to withdraw that complete cut of that program. But the...taking the social services out of the 2 percent or the 1 percent cut,