

undergo a lawful abortion to have certain kinds of training. What Senator Landis is attempting to demonstrate is that the training required by the amendment has no relationship whatsoever to the information required to be imparted under the bill. Well if it doesn't have any relationship to the information required to be imparted under the bill, it is an irrational burden upon the abortion practice and probably is unconstitutional. But the truth of the matter is and it is a hard truth, abortion destroys a fetus but in terms of the harm to the mother, abortions are safer than virtually any other medical procedure, period. But we do not require the kind of detail that Senator Labeledz is requiring to be given in LB 663 for other medical procedures. The real truth, in my view is, that this bill, with its amendments, is simply a design once again to impair a perfectly lawful practice that women choose to engage in. I oppose Senator Labeledz's amendments.

PRESIDENT: Senator Labeledz.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Thank you, Mr. President. The Landis amendment requires that all women who come in for an abortion be told of agencies and services available for prevention of future pregnancies. My amendment, while striking the Landis amendment requires at the same time the person giving informed consent information be trained both in contraceptive technology and in community resources. If a woman seeking an abortion asks for information on contraception or about community agencies which provide contraceptive information or supplies, the person who is counseling her is trained to answer her questions at all times. This arrangement is preferable to a requirement that all women who seek an abortion be automatically referred to the abortion clinics favored private contraceptive agency. I urge for the rejection of the Landis amendment and then we will go on to the other amendment.

PRESIDENT: Is there any further discussion? Very well, we will take that as the closing. Motion is the adoption of the first part, which is striking the Landis amendment adopted on May 22. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Please record your vote on the first of Senator Labeledz's amendments. That is striking the Landis amendment, vote aye or nay. Please record your vote. Have you voted? Please record your vote on the number one Labeledz amendment. Senator Labeledz, what do you want to do?