

a woman has for arriving at this decision, it does not seem appropriate to me for the Legislature to stick its nose into that situation and try to make it as difficult as possible. If the Legislature were composed of a majority of women we wouldn't even have this kind of thing here. But we might have something to place greater responsibility on the men who have to be partners in the causing of these situations. There are no immaculate conceptions. There always is a sperm carrier and a sperm introducer. But the only one who is to be twice victimized is the woman. I think it is cruel and heartless for us to sit in this Legislature and do all of these things pursuant to a particular religion's point of view and then wash our hands of it and not consider at all the actual impact it is going to have out there in the world where women are going to be harmed by it.

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: The Judiciary Committee, for once, behaved in a way that I thought was commendable. I hope that you will uphold what the Judiciary Committee has done. By rejecting Senator Labedz's amendment that she's offering to strike the committee amendment you are not taking away the requirement that the advice and the counseling be given. You simply are not wrapping it in such an undesirable package that it becomes a burden, a hindrance and an impediment on somebody who doesn't need any more than what she's undergoing already.

PRESIDENT: Senator DeCamp, you are next on the list.

SENATOR DECAMP: Question.

PRESIDENT: Senator DeCamp offers the question. Senator Marsh, were you wanting to speak?

SENATOR MARSH: Yes, I am.

PRESIDENT: Okay, we'll have to put the question to you because there has been an even debate. Do I see five hands? I do. All right, withdrawn. Senator Marsh, and then Senator Haberman.

SENATOR MARSH: Thank you, Mr. President. I won't talk long. I do rise to oppose the amendment. We are not asking that in statute we say having an abortion is safer than