

mentally. If, after the counseling, they choose to keep the child, the baby, and put it up for adoption, they should be told how they might feel guilty in later years for having done that too. And I think Senator Labedz's amendment is needed. I'm not speaking for the older woman in her thirties or even in her twenties, but I am speaking about the youngsters whom like I say, some of them don't even know how they got pregnant. They do need counseling, but they need counseling by counselors who have some degree of knowledge of what they speak. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Labedz, I'm going to recognize you to close on your amendment.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Thank you, Mr. President. I move for the adoption of my amendment. Senator Johnson gave a very good statement on why he is going to oppose this amendment. He mentioned the fact that when you go to a hospital some auxiliary member, possibly, and I will admit that even an admission clerk will come in and hand you a form and say, this is the approval of the upcoming surgery tomorrow morning, but he didn't go into detail about that. When you go in for surgery you've got to remember that you possibly had three or four or maybe even one hospital, I mean, a doctor's visit in his office. He explained your illness, the type of surgery needed. Maybe you back two or three times. You also may go to another doctor for a second opinion because you're a little leery about what the doctor has told you. He has told you that there will be pain, possibly...you may be paralyzed for the rest of your life, but that's a chance you may have to take. All this is explained to you in the doctor's office. You go into the hospital, possibly another doctor on the staff will come in and explain what is going to happen, the consequences. Your doctor is going to tell you whether you have a 50-50 chance to live, what will happen for the rest of your life, what you will have to eat for the rest of your life, the pills, the medication you're going to have to take and if it's cancer, the chemotherapy that's going to be involved. All this is told to you prior to the surgery and then you make the decision whether you're going to sign that form authorizing the surgery. You go into an abortion clinic, this does not happen. Believe me, it does not happen. They are not told of the procedure. They agree to an abortion. They don't...and I speak mainly and so strongly about minors. They go in...if they have their ears pierced,