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LB 78

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, so what you were suggesting is that...

SENATOR ROGERS: I'm not...it had nothing to do with any other bill.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ..the positions are inconsistent. You were saying that the positions are inconsistent. That was your posi...your point.

SENATOR ROGERS: Well, they are, there's no doubt about it.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay, well, now that I understand what you're saying, that puts an entirely different cast on it. There's no inconsistency here. The primary person that I'm concerned about when it comes to the issue of abortion is the woman. The woman is the focal point and the woman has the right to make the decision and I will continue to support that position. If I were the only one saying that, I would continue to say it. But I would like to see some of these people who are so concerned about a fetus be like Senator Crosby, who supports programs that will help children in being, children who are here, support those programs that would provide prenatal care for poor pregnant women, will support nutrition programs. And if the same ones who say that they're opposed to abortion would support those programs, those programs would have been enacted. We fight to try to get them year, after year, after year, but be all that as it may, I still oppose Senator Landis's and Senator Lindsay's amendment. Senator Landis is so anxious to say that he agreed with somebody on this issue that he'll accept anything, but what he's really accepting, in fact, is nothing. It does not go to the heart of the issue. And if such amendments as this one are the only way we can find what we call agreement, then we have not reached any agreement. Nothing is changed about the terms of LB 78. Senator Landis's and Senator Lindsay's amendment will not touch any provision of LB 78. We have a vampire out here so what Senator Landis and Senator Lindsay would do is say, we'll put a pair of shiny patent leather shoes on him and that makes him more presentable, but it doesn't change what he does. It doesn't change what he is. LB 78 oppresses women.

PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: That's what it does. LB 78 is grossly