

Deputy Douglas County Attorney, said it is a matter of time before fetus disposal following an abortion will be controlled by law in Omaha or this state. There's nothing criminal now about grinding up fetal remains, but it's gross and repugnant and something should be done about it, and I, after reading this now, and it's been several...a few years ago, 1978, I'm truly sorry and hope that one of the senators on this floor maybe next year will introduce something that will stop what we're...what we have been doing. And then the Lincoln Star also had an article on it. The director of the clinic, Dr. John Epp, defended the disposal method later in the week saying, individuals are allowed to determine the best way to handle it. We thought it was a legitimate situation. He goes on to say, and this is most repugnant, this material. He calls it material. What he found, what the plumber found is now material, has to be disposed of in some way. Maybe incineration is better, but at the very moment no incinerator is available. And the article is about five columns long and the other one is four. It's too long to read but I thought the members of this Legislature were not here in 1978 because they would not have seen this article or paid much attention to it, but it has stuck with me for all these years and, hopefully, next year something can be done about it, and I urge any member on the floor to take these two articles that I have and if anyone else wants copies, I'll be glad to supply them and maybe next year you can do something about it because it's still happening. Nothing has been done. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Labeledz. Senator Bernard-Stevens.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Madam President, members of the body. I thought I'd do something unique and actually talk about the amendment. The...it's been awhile since we actually talked about what the Bernard-Stevens amendment was, because we got then on a Hillman amendment to that, which was agreed to, and then a Rasmussen amendment, which was agreed to, and then the...we have now the "L" squared amendment, which basically takes the Hillman and the Rasmussen amendments that the body agreed to and strikes the rest of the original Bernard-Stevens amendment. And since we actually never got to much discussion on that particular amendment, I thought I would at least read for the body while they're having...those that may be listening at this time, just read a little bit so that they know what the amendment would be that the body would be striking if they vote