

been the kind of flippant remarks about the types of women who have abortions as might have occurred otherwise. I think, on the whole, it has been a very sober and sobering discussion. The time was not wasted. I even applaud Senator Lindsay for sticking by his guns and carrying on with this discussion, because had he not done that, the types of things that are now a matter of record would not be there. The contribution of Senator Bohlke, we praised Senator Rasmussen and Senator Hillman to the point where they probably will go home and their hats that they ordinarily would wear won't fit their heads at all. But I'm appreciative of things that Senator...but, see, and she's gone. Senator Crosby, she has throughout the discussions on abortion always talked about the need to help children to deal with spouse abuse and all of those things that might tend to undermine the family and create a favorable, fertile ground for abortions to take place. There are people who while supporting the right of a woman to make a choice have made it crystal clear that they're not advocating abortion. They feel too many abortions have occurred. But now we're at that point where we're discussing what can be done as a realistic alternative. Maintain the dignity of every woman. Recognize the existence of problems that can put a woman in a set of circumstances beyond her control where she may be forced or think she is forced to consider an alternative that otherwise she would like not to have to contend with at all. So I think it has been good. I know I have benefited from it. I think the Legislature this evening has been ennobled as a result of this discussion;. Now I have to come back to recognize the reality that we confront as a Legislature. We're not operating in a vacuum. What has happened here today is not going to govern the attitude of the people outside of the Legislature who will try through stratagem to keep this bill alive. I don't want it to stay alive. I do think it is a demeaning, degrading commentary on what is thought of women and their lack of mental capability. If a man were going to get a vasectomy, they wouldn't tell a man to wait.

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: If you listen, and by the way, I watched the faces of some of the young Pages as Senator Landis was going through those various things that can go wrong, whether it is an abortion contemplated or childbirth, and I don't think they realize what they're faces showed. It's almost like saying it's best not to get pregnant at all. Don't have a baby and don't