

and actually Senator Lindsay did come over and say that he had looked at the wrong amendment and, in fact, the Bohlke amendment does define gestational age and so I wanted that entered into the record. Secondly, there is another point. I certainly agree with Senator Landis's analysis of the enforcement under general medical malpractice, but also I would like to add that any amendment leaves in place...that my amendment leaves in place the existing Class II misdemeanor penalties that are already there for a woman and certainly do not change that. I wanted to clarify those two points and I will give my remaining time to Senator Rasmussen.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Rasmussen.

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: Madam President, thank you, Senator Bohlke. Where I was going in my opening remarks was to try and kind of take us back where we have been on this debate and to tell you why we have moved forward with this amendment. As I went through and looked at all the things that we could agree upon and those that we disagreed upon, I'm pleased to tell you that the list of agreements was much longer than disagreements. And what we tried to do was to take the basic goal, good information in a timely fashion, which is what we heard time and time again is the major purpose of this legislation. It was not to get the doctors, it was not to harass the women, but to get good information so that good decisions can be made and I think there is agreement that that's what we want to accomplish, but then we looked at strategies for doing that. I want to read you the list of things that we have reached agreement on. We said it should be done in a timely way. Whether that's 24 hours, 72 hours, 14 hours is really not the issue. I would hope that women would have this information long before they ever even think about getting pregnant let alone when they are pregnant. That we ought to put out there good gestational information, that we agreed upon. That we should provide information about medical risk regarding abortion procedures, as well as medical risks involved in pregnancy and live childbirth. We talked about that we should get information out there about what is available in terms of support and assistance, both financially and otherwise. We talked about the right to review printed information. We agree upon that. That we want to try and get good information out there about the prevention of unwanted or unintended pregnancies in the future. We've talked about some kind of written consent and, although we may not have the exact same words, we're still dealing with a written, signed