

fourteen years.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Okay. Okay, that was really the main question I had about this amendment, is what that language really entailed and if it needed to be spelled out more clearly or specifically.

SENATOR LINDSAY: That does go a little bit to what Senator Rasmussen mentioned about focusing on expertise. Certainly, that might be appropriate to better define that training in the future, but I think right now we just go with whatever the standard is for...whether it's appropriate, whatever the trier of fact, if there was a dispute, we would come up with, but I think the clinics, I think, have been able to operate under that language right now.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Okay, thank you. I intend to support the amendment.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Schimek. Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Mr. Speaker and members, I am glad to see the potential of a compromise on this and having an interest in the issue of health and how we pursue various issues related to health care, I take that aspect. I know there's many other issues involved here. The proposal, I think, is a wise one. I had decided some time ago that it seemed to be a consistent position to suggest on this health care procedure, as well as any other, that information was valuable to those who are making a decision, particularly in this issue which is, obviously, a very...very key one to a lot of individuals. But I think consistency would have me raise again a concern that I have had in the past about the need for information. To be consistent, I felt like if I opposed the gag rule position that had been taken by President Bush, that some of us on this floor had opposed, and said that it was wrong to stop information from being given to individuals who are considering an abortion about the potential options in that direction, then, likewise, it would be wrong to oppose a gag rule, so to speak, that would say that other information should not be possible either on the other side of the issue. And so I want to be consistent here and suggest that information either way so a woman making this decision has the full range of options available is very key, very important, so everybody understands exactly what the choices are and a decision is made. I also think it's important