

burial goods, and at some point sold all of those to the State Historical Society for \$1. So don't get in mind that we have a few remnants of corpses that were dug up from unmarked burial sites through inadvertence by road construction crews, or those who were trying to build irrigation systems, or whatever. These burial sites were deliberately sought out, deliberately plundered, deliberately ransacked, deliberately desecrated. There are photos taken by those who did the ransacking of some of their partners down in these graves in postures that can only be considered disrespectful. One was stretched out at full length patting the head of one of the Pawnee skulls.

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: You may have gotten one of the handouts that showed a Pawnee skull sitting on a box with two what appeared to be leg bones stacked on the box and this was a postcard design and the individual was dubbed "Pawnee Joe" or something like that. So we have a history of total disrespect, dishonoring, and disregard. This bill will require all of those remains that are identifiable to a tribe or traceable to a family to be returned to those should a request be made. The goods that can be identified as having been deliberately buried with a specific set of remains will have to be returned, and that tracing is done by the documents that were contemporaneous with the discovery. The body, a listing of the items taken with that body, and they are filed accordingly. If that kind of tracing, that kind of documentation does not exist, although in my opinion all burial goods should be returned, under this bill they will not. In the future if there are skeletal human remains and burial goods discovered and they are not claimed by anybody, or if they are unidentifiable or untraceable to any existing relatives, the Historical Society may study those, for whatever purpose they do the studying, those remains and goods for one year and, basically, that is what the bill will do. I am running out of time so I won't try to go further in an explanation because I may get halfway through, have to terminate it, and leave confusion rather than clarification. But if you have any questions, then I am prepared to answer them.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Elmer, please, followed by Senator Smith, Senator Wesely, Senator Chambers. Senator Elmer, please.

SENATOR ELMER: Thank you, Mr. President, very briefly, I would