

know that prior to 1933 the records will not be in sufficient shape and by that I mean sufficiently credible to link burial goods to a specific set of remains prior to 1933?

SENATOR WARNER: Frankly, Senator Chambers, I do not know if that would be true of any museum, but the...what I have heard people allege on the floor, at least, that the...and otherwise is that it is only those items that are disinterred since 1933 that appropriate and necessary records were kept. Now that's...I'm trying to...the items since '33, I am recognizing that there will be a process to determine what is associate and what is not associated with the skeletal remains. I'm trying to deal with the broader picture of unknowns that may exist anywhere in the state.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Then, Senator Warner, here is my follow-up question, and as you said when you offered your first version you're trying to be as straightforward with your amendment as possible, and I want to help in that process. Is it your desire to get into the law a provision that would say even if we find records predating 1933 that link burial goods with a specific set of remains, you don't want those burial goods to go back? Is that what you're saying? Even if there are records that would link them to a specific set of remains if they predated 1933.

SENATOR WARNER: Well, Senator Chambers, if it would be determined at some point in the future that such records do exist, then certainly I would address the issue then. I'm simply trying to reflect what I thought I heard people describe on the floor as to the likely impact of the legislation is on a variety of museums around the state.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Members of the Legislature, you must try, if you can stay with us, to keep separate the burial goods issue from the skeletal remains. We have now exempted skeletal remains from Senator Warner's amendment. Everything that we had been saying was that to narrow the definition of burial goods, we would say that they must be linked to a specific set of remains. We don't know what records the Historical Society has on all these items because we have no reason to believe they have been forthcoming based on comments they, themselves, have made about the research done by those who were working with the tribes. If they weren't given all of the records, then we're being put in a position to legislatively