

SENATOR ELMER: I would say to you they would have to make a very strange case to show that someone would be willing to abridge all of the human decencies that we have to exhume one of those and sell it for some predetermined unrealistic value.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Have you ever heard of Burke and Hare?

SENATOR ELMER: I've heard of the hare and the tortoise.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: (laugh)...touchy, or touche Burke and Hare were two notorious grave robbers and they did exhume and they were paid for what they did and they were paid for what they retrieved. Here is the point that I'm getting to. The definition fits those things and probably would fit the corpse also because there are people who would purchase corpses. There are people who actually dig up corpses now and use them in ceremonies, so even though it might elicit a chuckle, one of the things that I think needs to be looked at when we're defining, and this doesn't go to the essence or intrinsic value of Senator Elmer's amendment because I know what he is trying to do. I'm simply trying to call attention to the fact that we need to read definitions very carefully and understand that what we contemplate when we fashion a definition may not encompass everything that would be included in that definition, but when we legislatively define everything that that definition fits is included in the definition. So the way I read the definition, a vault...

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...a casket and a carcass would fit...would be included in the definition of nondepreciable...let me see...what is it called?

SENATOR ELMER: It would depreciable real property.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, depreciable real property, right. It would be under depreciable real property and I think we would all agree that all three of the items that I have mentioned do depreciate over time.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The Chair recognizes Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, I commend you, Senator Elmer, for bringing this amendment to us