

enough. I think Senator Dierks made a very strong point when he talked about our previous efforts and the financial problems with doing that in that our investments were not as good as they could have been if we had retained the land. I am not against selling school lands. I am not against making it more...making school lands more equitably spread across the state. I think they are...there is some unfairness in the way some of those lands are distributed or have not been redistributed, but I cannot support the bill in the form that it is, and like Senator Wesely, I would like...I would ask you to be very...very thoughtful about it when this bill does come back to Final Reading. It is an action which we can't undo very easily once we have done it. Thank you.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Senator Schimek. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Speaker and...Mr. President and members of the Legislature, this, selling these lands makes me think of a Bible story and I am going to try to tell it in my first five minutes, but in case I can't, I've got my light on again, because you all need this, I mean the spiritual enlightenment. There were...there was a man named Isaac and he had several wives, one named Rebekah, and so they did what grown people do behind locked doors that children want to know about but are not told about, but can find out by watching cable television, she conceived and was going to have twins. So when time came for the twins to be born, she had been told that the elder would serve the younger. The Bible has a quaint way of talking about things, so Esau was the older son, Jacob would be the younger. Esau came out first and the Bible in its quaint way said he was covered all over with hair and was red like a garment. And Jacob grabbed his heel and was pulled out with Esau. And so since Esau came out first, he was the elder. Well, since the prediction was that the elder would serve the younger, it had to be worked out so that would happen. As years rocked on, Esau became a very cunning hunter, a man of the fields, a worker. Jacob, on the other hand, resided in tents, slick, smooth, as I say, smoother than goose grease, a politician. So one day Esau went out in the field and was very, very hungry, so his slick smooth brother came to him and Jacob liked his older brother Esau because Esau would bring venison and share it with Jacob and Jacob liked it. So despite the fact that Esau looked out for his little brother, Jacob said, aha, here's a chance for me