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amount, bought all this stuff for \$2,000 and the World-Herald was irritated. The purchaser had said, if the World-Herald's account is correct, words to the effect that he didn't want this going on, didn't want this guy making all this money. So you know what the World-Herald did? The Catholic editor wrote...and there is definitely a Catholic slant to the World-Herald. Sure got quiet in here. People, listen. One can only imagine...I'm reading from this morning's editorial...one can only imagine the community outrage if someone posed as a member of a Jewish congregation and made off with the Torah scrolls, offering them on eBay. Multicultural revulsion would erupt if someone looted a Native American burial site and tried to auction the bodies as memorabilia. You mean to tell me this is not disparaging those other religions? Do you all know what the Torah is? This is not a roll of toilet tissue. This piece of...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...unleavened bread has been equated with the Torah and with taking corpses from native burial grounds. So that's what this Catholic editor is saying. People should be outraged because this man was going to sell some unleavened bread. Then he's going to reduce the Torah, in its significance, to a piece of unleavened bread; the buried remains of Native Americans to a piece of unleavened bread. He equates them. Then he's offended because not everybody is hollering about being...this unleavened bread being sold on eBay. Do you all think this unleavened bread is the equivalent of the Torah, or that the Torah is of no greater significance than that? That's the arrogance of these Catholics, the intolerance and disrespect for everybody else. Let them worship their plaster saints if they want to. Let them believe they can magically...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time, Senator Chambers. You've heard the opening on the reconsideration motion. Senator Schrock.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, Senator Chambers, another phone call has a little more information, so I'm learning something here. So I thank you for that. The fox we're talking about I guess is called the fox...or the squirrel we're talking about is called the fox