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SPEAKER BRASHEAR: Macht nichts.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you. Senator Bourne, followed by

Senator Janssen.

SENATOR BOURNE: Senator Brashear, if you'd like my time, I'd

yield to you. You seem to be on a roll. (Laughter)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Brashear.

SPEAKER BRASHEAR: Mr. President, members of the body, thank you, Senator Bourne. I'm not on a roll. I'm just trying to contribute to the process and then I'll quit. You see what we're doing is stacking. If you've got the wrong kind of enemies and they're lawfully, legitimately utilizing the process and arriving at their own conclusions, then you go next, after you get done with all of the...whatever the Accountability and Disclosure Commission has or doesn't have, then you go next to having the...you get the Attorney General. You use the influence of your office to get the Attorney General to do an investigation that he's already checked out of. But you can do that if you're senior. If you've got authority over lots of things, you can manipulate a political Attorney General to pursue something. So now we're into having the resources of the whole Nebraska State Patrol put together 700 pages of documents so we can all pore through the opinions of an investigator who is in pursuit of prey, not truth. Because if the investigator had found something, then the ... knew the Attorney General would have done something about it. No. Start reading the tea leaves. Now we're engaged in the game of what we call in the law renting an expert. If you can't find one, hire a different one. There are four violations cited in this...these Articles of Impeachment that I have filed a complaint before the Accountability and Disclosure Commission alleging violation by a then-sitting official, Regent Don Blank, and it's still pending. You'll hear from me. I'll send you a few things in the mail after we've all parted here. I intend to be heard on this issue. I dare that Accountability and Disclosure Commission to come down with something contrary to law with regard to the four violations, four things that Regent Hergert is charged with. I