



Rep. Tom Emmer on THE RAY STEVENS SHOW – DECEMBER 4, 2025

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HOST (RAY):

House Majority Whip, Representative Tom Emmer, a GOP Republican out of the great state of Minnesota. I guess my first question we start with the representative is Mr. Emmer, what in the hell is going on in your state?

REP. TOM EMMER:

Well, good morning, Brad. You know, it actually is rather sad that Minnesota is all over the news because the incompetent and it appears corrupt leadership of our governor Tim Walls. I mean, I think I can honestly say to you, Ray, our governor is worse than your governor. Your governor ain't good. [laughter]

HOST (RAY):

You know, and that's where I was going to ask you next. It's like sometimes when you're in the state of Illinois, everybody's looking at you, but it's nice for somebody to finally say, "Hold my beer and watch what we do here." But you said it best. It's sad because here's what happens. And I'll let you speak to this, but you know, Trump is a bigot. He's a racist. He's a xenophobe. He live— Ilhan Omar lives rent-free in his head. This is all a deflection of the Minnesota Democrats because they know they've been caught. And nobody wanted to talk about this because you need the Somali community to be able to win in the state of Minnesota. You need to have Minneapolis St. Paul so you can win Minnesota. It's not unlike Chicago. You got to win Chicago to win Illinois. But to deflect like this when they've been caught with their hands in the cookie jar is just ridiculous. And I guess what I have to ask you now and this is Tom Emmer. He's a representative from Minnesota. He is the House majority whip from Minnesota. This leads into Ilhan Omar's district. And does she get implicated in this, do you think?

REP. TOM EMMER:

Well, I think it's more everybody's going to be implicated. And I want to go back to what you said, Ray. Nobody wanted to talk about this. It's not just that Tim Walls and his administration are so corrupt. It's not just that our attorney general, Keith Ellison, who was the representative before Ilhan Omar. It's not just Ilhan Omar. Literally last summer, I've been trying to sound the alarm on this thing for three years plus.

REP. TOM EMMER:

This has been going on for a long time. The acting US attorney last summer did an interview on a local news station where he documented over a billion dollars in fraud and growing, right? And he said his quote was something to the effect of the depth and breadth of this fraud in the Walls administration takes your breath away. I thought, okay, it's starting. They're going to start to report on this. You know what? Dead silence. These guys you may have correctly identified, you know, the political ramifications, but you let a billion dollars go out of your administration. You're telling me you didn't see anything? This guy's got— Thank God for President



Trump, Ray. President Trump actually started this conversation. There is nothing wrong with calling out criminal activity. That is not racist. And that is what he did. He called out the fact that, you know, it's not that all Somali are criminals, Ray. It's that 90% of this fraud is being committed by Somali. It's amazing. And because of the president, Transportation Secretary Sean Duffy is now involved. His information that Minnesota issued over 7,000 commercial driver's licenses to illegals. You got small business administrator Kelly Laughter's involved cuz some of the money that was being managed by the state came from the Fed and it's supposed to be used for things that apparently it was not used for. And now you got Secretary of the Treasury Scott Besson investigating the fact that this money, millions were being shipped back to Somalia. And I love it when they say to me, well, there's just anonymous claims that it went to al-Shabaab, a known terrorist group. How do you respond to that, Ray? Somalia is controlled by al-Shabaab. That terrorist group controls all the financial infrastructure in Somalia. If you are shipping millions of dollars back to Somalia, it is getting into the hands of al-Shabaab. This is, look, you don't let this go out the way. I don't know if you saw this the other day. If this is true, there's over a hundred whistleblowers from the Department of Human Services in Minnesota.

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**** that, and again, I say if it's true because it hasn't been confirmed yet, but they went online, by the way, it was taken down. I don't know who took it down and stopped them, but they went online to say they had been telling Tim Walz and his administration about the fraud and they were not only ignored by Tim Walz, he retaliated against them. I'm going to tell you if that's true. And we got Jamie Comer, my friend from Kentucky, who's the chair of the House Oversight Committee. He's announced that they're going to be investigating Tim Walz and Keith Ellison over this 1 billion in taxpayer fraud. If that's true, this ain't just negligent oversight. Ray, this is criminal activity.**

****HOST (RAY):**

**** Well, it and Tim Walz had to know about this. He's the one again allegedly, according to this Facebook group that was put together was on the X as well, talking about all this fraud that nobody wanted to talk about. And I don't think this is one of those things. And by the way, our guest is Tom Emmer. Representative Tom Emmer. He is the House majority whip, the number one guy to talk to this morning about what's going on in Minnesota. I don't think Tim Walz can use the aw shucks. I'm just an old football coach guy. I'm just sometimes a knucklehead approach anymore. And he can't, you know, because that's what he does. And the deflection, it's disingenuous to the people of Minnesota and to people who live and work their asses off in America to fund the money that the taxes to all this PPP fraud scam that's been going on everywhere. And now we're just hearing about it in Minnesota. You're going to find out too, and I'm sure you're already privy to this. This is going on in Maine. And we know that this is widespread when it comes to Governor Greasy Hair Newsom out in California. But yet all they want to do is say Trump orange man is bad because they hate this guy even if he cured cancer. But you can't get out of this one anymore.**

****REP. TOM EMMER:**

**** Yeah. It's pretty tough to defend crime though, Ray. Even this worthless, incompetent governor in Minnesota has gone quiet now since Monday. It's very hard to defend crime. And I think the walls are going to start closing in on Mr. Walz. Speaking of deflection, you probably have seen that clip of him on the Sunday morning show where he's asked directly, do you take any responsibility for this? And his response is, I take responsibility for prosecuting these people. And Minnesota is a generous state. Well, first off, hey Tim, stop being so generous**



with my money, right? I start paying attention to what you're doing. Second, he has not prosecuted anyone. The only people that are prosecuting these folks are the feds. This guy hasn't even identified who in his administration is responsible. Look, you got 86 people who were charged in the largest pandemic fraud case in America. It's called the Feeding Our Future scandal. They bilked 250 million of federal funds out of our state. By the way, out of the 86 people that were charged, and many have been convicted, 90% of them are of Somali heritage. Again, it is not racist or wrong to call that out. The law-abiding, hardworking Somali population in Minnesota is getting hurt, too. These programs that have been defrauded serve vulnerable populations and the Somali committing the crimes have hurt their own community. And it goes beyond the feeding our future. It's Medicaid housing fraud. I mean this one's staggering. They created this program in 2020. They estimated when they were creating and this Tim Walz and a Democrat-controlled House and Senate they estimated it was going to cost 200 million. Guess what, Ray? In four years, they paid out 1 billion in claims. And by the way, they shut it down this October because they'd already sucked another 61 million out since January. There's autism fraud. One Somali woman's been charged after stealing 14 million from creating a fake autism center. And now 80 autism centers are under investigation. And by the way, by the time that lady's fraud scheme was exposed, 1 in 16 Somali four-year-olds in Minnesota had reportedly been diagnosed with autism. That Ray is a rate of more than triple the state average. I mean, this thing is wide and deep.

****HOST (RAY):**

** Oh, it is absolutely and here and this is what I don't get is and this is the problem with calling everybody a racist. If you if Ilhan Omar would have gone a long way to help her cause to say, you know what, yeah, we're going to look at this. It doesn't appear good, but it doesn't make everybody bad, but they don't do that. Before I let you go, I want to ask you, you know, you would think that this is the number one scandal in the state of Minnesota, but how in the world did the Vikings get rid of Sam Darnold for JJ McCarthy? [laughter]

****REP. TOM EMMER:**

** No. The number one crime in Minnesota is that Tim Walls is our governor. [laughter]

****HOST (RAY):**

** Well,

****REP. TOM EMMER:**

** that's the number one crime. And God bless the feds. You know, Tom Hman's confirmed that the entire federal government is going to be focused on criminals in the Twin Cities, Ray, police, ATF, FBI, you name it.

****HOST (RAY):**

** Well, I hope they have a smoother run than they did here in Chicago because everybody decries the laws and the order that we have in this nation and the borders that we have to keep to be this great nation that has come under attack by people that just want to take advantage of the good people and hardworking states like Illinois and like yours as well. You know what, sir, you are welcome back on this radio station anytime. We really appreciate the visit. Thank you.



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