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Senate Republicans try to bury Newman ethics hearing

Remember <u>Scott Newman</u>, the guy who <u>refused to meet with anyone who</u> <u>had supported his 2010 opponent</u>? He'll have an ethics hearing, which is the <u>least he deserves</u>. But it appears that Senate Republicans are trying their hardest to bury the story.

Newman's ethics hearing will be held Wednesday — the same day as Mark Dayton's State of the State address, ensuring that it will receive little coverage. Even worse, it will be held in a room with no television cameras. The general public will not be permitted to watch, so there will be no transparency.

This lack of transparency is unacceptable, and it raises major questions about the Republican leadership's intentions. Is their plan to let Newman off without any sort of discipline? They certainly seem to be laying the groundwork for that.

We need the Republican leadership to know that this sort of behavior won't be tolerated! Please help by contacting Republican leaders and telling them to hold this hearing in the light of day.

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