WHITEHOUSE: TALK SHOWS SHOULDN'T MAKE PROSECUTORIAL DECISIONS

Not like it'll matter to Republicans who are attacking Eric Holder's decision. But Sheldon Whitehouse slammed Republicans for beating up on federal prosecutors.

And then he got really steamed, accusing the Republicans of politicizing prosecutorial opinions.

From my perspective, popular opinion is a very dangerous bellwether to hold prosecutors to. ... I think it gets worse when you move from popular opinion to legislative opinion. ... And if there's any way to make, it worse it'd be to allow it to be influenced by talk show opinion.