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fiscal note in the bill book so that as Senator Lamb tried to imply the other day, we are not trying to pull the wool over anyone's eyes. As I said before, Senator Maresh, there is no appropriation before the Appropriations Committee, number one. Number two, there is no A bill. Number three, it is absolutely my sincerest and most honest intent not to spend one red, yellow, green or blue cent on public radio in the State of Nebraska. I think that a lot of the services being offered by Educational Television may more economically be able to be offered through public radio, if, and I am not saying they will, but I am saying if the ETV Commission would desire to utilize this, they would have the authority to do that. Not one red cent will be spent for public radio as far as this bill is concerned, as far as any appropriation in the Appropriation Committee is concerned. I am absolute, sincere, in that particular point of view, Senator Maresh. Thank you for asking me that question.

SENATOR MARESH: Why was there a fiscal impact of \$500,000 attached to your bill then for the first year and about a million and a half from then on?

SENATOR DWORAK: Because if you know what that pink sheet is, that is not necessarily saying that there shall, it is saying the possibility of this kind of fiscal impact if some things were to happen. Those things are not going to happen. There is not even a vehicle for them to happen. But it is to show you what the potential might be if you wanted that to happen. But that is not my intent. Consequently, you do not see an A bill. You see nothing in this year's budget or next year's budget to spend anything for this particular measure. It is just to create an authority, Senator Maresh, just to create an authority.

SENATOR MARESH: I really can't understand why this wouldn't have an A bill when I had a bill to allow these Handi Buses, the services to be formed more easily and they put on a \$124,000 A bill with my bill and yours where we can see what you are trying to do that you are trying to establish public radio and I can't see why the fiscal analyst didn't require that you have an A bill with yours. And I have a motion on the desk to take a vote on this if we feel that there should be an A bill or not. So that will be one of the motions that is coming if the bill doesn't get killed. But I feel that the bill should be killed. I can't see going into competition with these small radios. I have two in my area that provide a lot of local service. They have announcements of local