

protected under federal statute so it's not needed in this particular matter. In fact, the federal statutes and penalties are much more strict and severe than we would have at the state level.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Okay, thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Bernard-Stevens, would you like to close on the motion to advance.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: I would waive closing at this time and just move that we advance the bill to E & R Initial.

PRESIDENT: Okay. The question is the advancement of the bill. All those in favor of the bill vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 32 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 43.

PRESIDENT: LB 43 advances. May I interrupt a moment to introduce some guests of Senator Doug Kristensen, please. Under the north balcony, we have from Kearney County, Wilbur Nelson and Dudley Wells. Would you please welcome them to the Legislature. Thank you, men, for visiting us today. Move on to LB 113.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 113 offered by Senator Schellpeper. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 5, referred to Natural Resources, advanced to General File. I have no amendments to the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Schellpeper, please.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Thank you, Mr. President, and members, this seems to be the morning for public power bills. This bill was...allow public power districts to invest in satellite television systems. I passed out a sheet a little bit ago and if you will just look at that sheet, you can...that explains it much better than what I could. You can see there is no opposition with the industry. There was no opposition at the hearing. Right now, in 1987, this body allowed the public power districts to sell or lease satellite television descramblers or programmers in the areas not served by cable television. This bill is just necessary to obtain statutory authority for public