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that? I don't think so. Senator Janssen is serving those people well. His grocery business is succeeding, it's thriving. He makes a profit, he pays taxes on the profit he makes, he pays taxes on his income. Does the city need to get into the grocery business? No. And is that example a bit far-fetched? Of course it is. But what cities do want to do is they want to get into the cable business. Some cities are. They want to get into the electric business. Some cities are. They want to get into the natural gas business. Some cities are. And they want to get into the telephone business. And I, for one, disagree with that philosophy. I don't think that our cities, that our public power districts, that our governmental subdivisions, that the state of Nebraska ought to get into areas that can best be served by the private sector. So I have no intention of delaying or knocking off course Senator Peterson's bill. I think it's a good bill. But I do want to make the point that without this prohibition on public power districts, if they want to get into the phone business over the next year they can. Two years ago, Senator Kristensen, when he was Chairman of the Transportation Committee, along with others, decided to take this prohibition out of statute. It was there previously. Public power districts couldn't get into the phone business. We took it out. Why...why did Senator Kristensen lead us, lead this Legislature to take that provision out? Because, under the Telecommunications Act, it says you can't make any barriers to entry. Anybody can compete. Well, court cases are coming down on both sides as to who "anybody" is. Is it...does it include governmental subdivisions? Maybe. I hope not. I don't want to see governmental subdivisions competing with the private sector. I like to see the private sector able to make money because they pay taxes. They employ more people. They have a reason to become efficient--the profit motive. So this particular provision, the reason I'm putting this amendment up here, is just for an opportunity to make the point that if we don't do something this year, we probably won't do anything this year, next year you may see more cities in the phone business. Senator Cudaback, the city of Cozad, the city of Shelton may call you and say, Senator Cudaback, you can't stop us from getting in. You can't take our telephone company and dismantle it now. We've had it going for a year. It's the only reason we're able to stay within the levy limits. It's going to be very difficult to cast that vote next year because there will be