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2002 that all commercial television stations must begin broadcasting digital. There's a 2003 deadline for the large media markets. The noncommercial TV stations is May 1, 2003. States like Nebraska, it goes to a percentage of penetration that's out there. So it floats, but they have put that at December 31, 2006. So for our state, you're not going to get any of those broadcasts until 2006, and then there is a period where they are going to broadcast in both digital and analogue. So you're out far enough. Now what's happening is TV makers today are making TVs that are able to do both signals. So over a period of time, unless you're a Senator Vrtiska, who is keeping those TV (laugh) sets long periods of time, over the next probably seven to eight years you won't be able to buy a TV set that won't be able to be in compliance. It's just going to be the cost. And you...you probably won't be out...I think when they completely go dark with the analogue it's even a few years longer than the 2006, because they're going to get to do it in both forms.

SENATOR BROWN: So, individuals will have a fairly lengthy period of time.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Yes, I think that's the bottom line.

SENATOR BROWN: There...there was some discussion that some of these time lines were not necessarily firm, that...that the federal government might loosen the requirements. Are you aware of...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: There's a...I think the FCC says that there's a benchmark percentage of penetration of TV receivers, which would be your TVs. They estimate that to be 2006 by the time those will get out there. But again, it sort of depends on the TV makers and what people are willing to purchase and buy, too. I think it's a safe one to say that we're not going to have those stations have to switch before 2006. But the trouble is they can't run the risk and say I'm not going to buy the equipment, because it's not just something they go run and buy off the shelf. It takes a period of time to order it, to get it in. Obviously everybody is making the switch at once and so those are not easy items to come up with. It's like building new towers, it takes a long time to get a new tower built in