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SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: They'll do worse than that, they'll take their license. They must have a license to broadcast. If they are not broadcasting in digital when the mandate date occurs, they lose their license and they're not allowed to broadcast. That license then would be up for sale and would go to someone else. Most likely, it would not go back in the same area.

SENATOR CUDABACK: So they are being told that they absolutely cannot use the station as currently,...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Yes.

SENATOR CUDABACK: ...unless you purchase this...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Yes.

SENATOR CUDABACK: ...millions of dollars worth of equipment?

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Yes.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Okay, thank you. I guess maybe that kind of answers my question. If I'm told, if you're going to retool something, as referred to a while ago, and that was a good...that was a good summary, if it's your option to retool that's one thing, but if you are told that you must, must retool, I guess that's another thing. And I guess maybe I'm going to opt to go with more discussion here and find out if it's an absolute dictation or dictatorship type situation. I do not believe that we're going to have to spend a lot of money on our old TVs. I think there will be a chip come out where Jim Cudaback can still use his old 1965 TV, if he wishes to. I think that will come along here, six years that will. But that isn't the question here, the question is, whether they're being told by the big federal government that they will do this? That's the question I'm going to base my green or red light on. Thank you.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. Senator Matzke, followed by Beutler, Wickersham and Chambers.

SENATOR MATZKE: Madam President and members of the Legislature, I'm afraid my voice will be a voice in the wilderness on this