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to do is rent a...they're going to put their facilities on someone else's tower, which gives them a greater area to broadcast.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: It also is going to free up...and they're going to have some excess band width is my understanding.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: That's what digital does.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Yeah, and the question becomes, what are the plans for the excess capacity? And the reason that's important, and there may not be an answer to that, but that's the issue when we talk about NPPD and their excess capacity with dark fiber. There's a variety of issues out here with excess band width. And, if there's not, it's just one I would like to put the committee on notice for that we want to be sensitive to what they're going to do with these excess band width. Do they sell them? Do they lease them, and what are they going to do with them? Thank you.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: My counsel tells me it hasn't been decided yet, Senator Kristensen, how that's going to...how that will hap...what will happen there.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: I would dearly ask the committee, watch that carefully, because otherwise it's going to blow up on the floor and it sort of started that way with NPPD and has gotten out of hand, quite frankly, and I'd hate to see that happen again. Thank you very much.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Okay, thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. Senator Wehrbein, you're recognized to close. Closing is waived. The question is the advancement of LB 1328 to E & R Initial. Those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay. Please record.

CLERK: 31 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 1328.