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be statewide or not at all, so. But what we're missing here, this is a federal mandate and Senator Matzke brought that out, and it's something that they have to have done by December 31 of 2003. And they've got to pay the sales tax and they've got to go down and ask for it back. So it's not something that they can just...don't even have to pay so there could be a little slippage there I suppose on that. But I think that this is really important because they do have to pay it up front and then they have to go ask for it back and just actually earmark what they've done. And they've got three years to file for that refund. Even after the three years is up that they have to get the mandate done, they can still ask for it back. So this could be spread over several years and it wouldn't all come in one year. And this is something we can do as a state I think because this is a federal mandate pushed down on them so, okay, why can't we do something as a state to do our little part to help this along because this is something they do have to do. And Senator Coordsen mentioned about outside antennas. I do have one at home yet myself and I'm using it. I don't have a dish or I don't have no cable. It's too far out in the country for a cable. But anyway, this is something I do have and I only can get two stations. And I think that this is something that I think we're all going to come around to because I think this digital is going to be something that we really will enjoy. This is not like a business either that if they want to increase, build on so they can do more business, that's something, that's their choice. But here we got the TV stations, that's not their choice to build on to get more money. They've got to do this. So I think we can do our little part to help out on that so that's why I think that we should have this bill and I think it will be good state policy. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Jones. Senator Suttle, on the Wickersham amendment.

SENATOR SUTTLE: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature. Senator Wickersham said that he offered his amendment to decrease the amount of money that the state would lose with this exemption. If we eliminate this bill altogether, it will save us even more. And I don't think that we need to give another exemption for sales tax. I...my thought is that if we don't give a sales tax break to everybody, nobody should have