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SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Yes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: There were a couple of things that I'm not remembering very well, but I think at some time there were radio stations involved in the claim for sales tax refund on this bill. Is that correct?

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: That was the green copy of the bill.

SENATOR BEUTLER: That was the green copy of the bill and who was claiming and on what basis or for what reason? I mean what was that all about?

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Well, the green copy of LB 171 would have exempted from the sales tax actually a broader range of purchases than what you now see in the bill, both in-kind and the kinds of entities that would have qualified, so it would have been more expansive on both sides. And, in addition, it would have exempted, as I recall, a purchase of...purchases of electricity from sales tax. It was a much broader bill than what you see it now.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Purchases of...

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Of electricity.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...electricity by broadcasters...

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Yes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...of different types?

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Yes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: And so the rationale at the beginning was not a federal mandate for everybody but a variety of...

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Yes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...alleged grievances...

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Yes.