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talk to themselves while they watch the private sector run on...

SENATOR JANSSEN: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...and do whatever it pleases. Time for what, Mr. President? I'm ready to fight this...oh, time to stop?

SENATOR JANSSEN: Your time is up.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay.

SENATOR JANSSEN: You'll have to push your light again.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Senator Connealy, your light is on next.

SENATOR CONNEALY: Thank you, Mr. President, members. Yeah, I'm not...I'm not in opposition to this bill. I believe that we need a retail ban. I just don't think we need to go any farther than that. I think that we're stepping way past where we are because of the fact that we are a different type of state, because of the fact that the only way to deliver, you know, an alternative service is through the public sector. If we say you can't think about that, you stop, you can't do anything in that area, then I think that it really puts a artificial barrier that we don't need at this point. We need to say the competition between public and private should stop on a retail basis, and I believe that that...that the bill needs to get through because But I don't think at the same time that we need to tilt the playing field so heavily in favor of telecom companies that it's to the point where they are not going to think outside the box. They're not going to think about working with the existing structure that's there and built. This is not talking about duplicative investment. This is talking about using something that's there. It's not talking about, you know, trying to stem investment that would be spent wildly. about using what we have. And if you can't think about that, if you're going to put a moratorium on that, which will put a hold on it, other investments could be made that doesn't necessarily