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regulation of the commission. Whether the commission's regulations are all up to date and up to speed in terms of where technology is going, I cannot represent that to you, and I don't know. But that's why I believe we need this study. I never thought it was helpful to stick our head in the sand. And the...

SENATOR CUDABACK: It's now your time, Senator. It's now your time, Senator Brashear.

SPEAKER BRASHEAR: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. I don't think it's helpful to stick our head in the sand. I don't think anybody can dispute that this...these forms and types and kinds of technology, and what they result in, is the future. It is unifying the world. It is replacing a lot of things. You see it happen here on the floor. I used the BlackBerry when I opened on this on General File in the prior section of the debate. We must get there, whether we want to get there or not. And so I believe that there needs to be an informed, sustained study, and we have to bring all the players to the table. And we need to take hold of our destiny with regard to technology and communications. And that's what this bill is about. And I would yield my time back to you, and so you can ask me more, or point me where you wanted me to go.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Chambers. Senator Beutler. We'll get it right here yet.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Thank you, Senator. I don't disagree with you at all, in terms of competitive situations taking care of themselves. The only area that I want to be careful about are areas that are not in fact competitive. And in those areas, the only...if they're not competitive privately, the only competition that exists is the public sector. And if you're not...if they're not otherwise regulated by some entity such as the Public Service Commission, then to take away the only possible competition, which is the public, is to leave them virtually free to raise rates at their own discretion, and to decide what their profit margin is going to be, within some fairly broad bounds. So as we go to Select File, I'm going to try to find out more about how these areas are regulated, and