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We support RM-11753 for the reasons below.

- Power

We need to be a class of service that is viable. It is very hard to get the signal on clock radios inside homes & businesses even if the business or house is just a few blocks from the transmission site. I believe as long as it doesn't cause any interference to another station there should be no harm and allow people to hear us in our demographic if they can't pick us up without static then are we really doing a good service? (This also goes to support if they signal is so weak that they have struggles getting us how can we ask for support?)

- Enhanced Underwriting

As I deal day to day with this issue it is a tough one for me and many people. Enhanced underwriting rules or very confusing and just easy to confuse what is and what isn't legal in this. It is hard to explain to supporters. We do our best to follow the rules. One thing that makes no sense is I can say the phone number is but I can't say call and then the phone number. When I tell people this the reaction is that makes no sense. I really don't think letting us say what we want as far as sponsors would constitute the station being commercial it still has to be run by a NON-Profit I also believe that this could also be a first amendment right of free speech. (However I am no lawyer) The Following was taken from www.uscourts.gov

- To advertise commercial products and professional services (with some restrictions).
Virginia Board of Pharmacy v. Virginia Consumer Council, 425 U.S. 748 (1976); *Bates v. State Bar of Arizona*, 433 U.S. 350 (1977).

The restrictions that I see here are really restrictions as to being truthful.

Also in regards to this in regards to public safety and weather we are in tornado alley and has been a challenge for a small operation like ours to do weather we are unable to purchase a weather package at \$400 a month Min or have enough volunteers to be able to watch the weather 24 hours a day. This is one place that lifting restrictions would be really in the public interest. Weather people have to make money to keep providing the service and if we could do a trade it would be good for the entire public.

- Protection of Station

Most entities that have these have spent lots of time and work to gain support for the stations to be on-air. Most of them donations without even mention of names or benefit to themselves. It would be a shame if a commercial entity was able to just say I want that spot and there you would go away with that money and work lost. Most of these stations are run by one to two people that put their complete heart and soul into it. This doesn't matter if it is a Local School, Church or any other type of Non-Profit that runs this. This would be very upsetting if it happened to the whole community at large.

- Sale of Station

As with life things change people die, have to move or health reasons of directors change and other may not have the same passion for the project as the person who started it. It is a shame that you cannot get money from a station that you have put years of work in to just be basically given to the another Non-Profit Agency without compensation for a little of the prior work as all of these stations have been built from ground up from a dedicated person or two. The current NON-Profit should be able to be compensated from all the work and dedication. I believe it still should be run under NON-Profit entities.

- Legal Id.

Legal ID's really no one pays attention to them much anymore anyway. Yes we believe that putting lp at the end is really unnecessary. Unless of course you have the same legal it in the area however most do not and we would have had to have permission to use another id that was the same anyway. So I just think this is an LP at the end shouldn't be a requirement.

Conclusion

I support RM-11753 We do not believe that allowing more power doesn't harm anyone as long as no interference is caused and it will better serve the public as this is what the law intended. If they can't hear the signal it serves no purpose. We believe that changing the rules as far as Enhanced Underwriting is imperative to the survival of many Non-Profit stations and is a 1st amendment rights and shouldn't make them considered a for profit station and as a lower power counterpart we in no way should competition to commercial radio. We also believe that protection of existing low power stations are a must so that we can be assured that Local Radio will live on.

Sincerely

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