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Nylander (FP):

Lower the concession fees and digitalize radio

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- The concession fees for the commercial radio must be lowered more than the government has announced in the state budget for 2012. We also need to know the government's aim to invest in digital radio, says Christer Nylander, the Liberal Party's spokesperson on cultural affairs.

The Liberal Party suggests:

- Ensure strong public service with a comprehensive quality assignment both within radio and television.
- Lower the concession fees for commercial radio more than the government has announced in the state budget for 2012.
- Sveriges Radio (The Swedish Public Service Radio) should be given the possibility to invest in digital radio, with resources from the Broadcasting Fund.
- Sveriges Television (The Swedish Public Service Television), Sveriges
 Radio and Utbildningsradion (The Swedish Educational Broadcasting Company)
 must remain three different corporations.
- The compulsory license fee should be converted into a fee paid to the Swedish Tax Agency by each tax payer, and remain not directly connected to the Treasury.