If it walks like a duck, and swims like a duck and quacks like a duck ... well, you know...



The big international record labels are asking for a congressional mandate to force local radio stations to pay for promoting the labels' artists, music and concerts. But they'd rather you not call it a tax, because no one likes to pay taxes.

You can't change the facts.

By levying a new fee on radio stations – which some analysts estimate could reach \$7 billion annually – Congress would be taxing the stations in their backyards to line the pockets of international record label executives.

Taxing radio for promoting their music free of charge? That's one idea that just won't fly.

No performance tax on local radio.

