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Last session the legislature passed a bill creating a satellite communications network aimed at linking rural Alaska with the rest of the world. This model network could have provided educational support, telephone service and television to every rural Alaska village.

But it doesn't.

... Jay Hammond vetoed it in all but 9 communities

Governor Hammond has continually stalled implementation of the legislature's telecommunication plan. Although we have the equipment, still many village telephones remain unworkable. A bill providing satellite television to every village with 25 or more people passed the legislature, but was vetoed by the Governor in every village with less than 1200 people. Educational programming has been virtually ignored, yet it could be bringing quality education into village schools.



CHANCY CROFT WILL PUT IT BACK

"By providing satellite communications, Alaskan villages can have access to the rest of the state and the world, yet be able to keep their children at home and maintain the heritage of life in Alaska. As Governor I will guarantee a workable, reliable communications network throughout all Alaska."

Look ahead Alaska

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