

# Hensley Files for House Reelection

Willie Hensley, D-Kotzebue, filed this week for reelection to the State House of Representatives. He is running from District 17, the Kotzebue-Barrow area.

In his filing statement, Hensley said that he had enjoyed serving the people of his district during the past two years.

"The state," he said, "needs continued cooperation between the urban and rural areas in our efforts to build the Alaskan economy."

"We will not have a healthy society," he continued, "unless the vast inequities between the bush and cities in employment, education, health, housing, and land ownership are eliminated."

"I hope to assist the state in its efforts to utilize the federal expenditures in ways that will continue proper development of Alaska—rather than a haphazard, unthinking, bureaucratic approach to Alaska's economic and social ills."

"I shall continue to support development of land transportation, improvement of rural housing, Alaska hire, improved education curricula and facilities, and settlement of the land claims issue."

Hensley is the chairman of



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the governor's Land Claims Task Force, a body that had a prominent role in land claims matters during the period of a year.

He is also president of Alaska Village Electric Cooperative (AVEC), an organization that is coordinating the process of getting electric power to villages.

He is a member of the Bureau of Land Management's Multiple Use advisory board and member of the federal Commission on Indian Opportunity.

Hensley was born at Kotzebue. He attended grade school there and went to high school at Harrison Chilhowee Academy at Seymour, Tennessee.

He went to the University of Alaska during 1960-62 and then entered George Washington University, Wash., D. C. and graduated with a degree in political science.