



City of False Pass

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Senate Finance Committee,

The City of False Pass would like to express the need for funding for the Alaska Public Television. While understanding the need to limit expenses in the Fiscal Year Budget, cutting public television funding is not the solution. This region finds it necessary to have access to local news, and public television is the only means to receive local/statewide news. Many residents here do not have internet, as GCI has not extended broadband to this region. The only satellite TV available is through Dish TV. Dish TV does not have any local news broadcasts. Some residents cannot afford satellite TV, and therefore public television is the only media source that is available to them. The educational value of public television will be lost for our children. While planning the budget, please keep these things in mind.

Regards,

City Clerk, City of False Pass

Christopher Emrich