AT&T wants to pull plug on land-line service

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AT&T is pushing a bill in the California legislature that would allow it to phase out landlines starting in 2020 if there is an alternative, like cell phones, available to customers.

Bill sponsor and San Jose Assemblyman Evan Low told local CBS affiliate KPIX that the bill will help the company cut costs by ending maintenance on expensive copper wires and routing stations, while making sure customers are still connected.

AT&T estimates about 4.5 million users in California still have landlines, though.

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