

Incidental fee requests

Handicapped students told incidental fee committee members Tuesday night that administrative funding of their program recommended by the ASUO executive was found to be "nonexistent."

Handicapped Support Services, an organization that the students would like to see created to make the university more accessible to handicapped students, was proposed to be built around a single, professional coordinator's position with a salary of \$10,000. In a justification of their recommendation of no funding, the ASUO executive said the salary should come out of university funds. According to Judy Bogen, a representative of the handicapped students, university president Robert Clark told her that no funds were available. So the handicapped

students returned to the incidental fee committee with their request. Clay Varney, a wheelchair student, said "I think you've got a bunch of wrong priorities." Don Johnson, a blind student, emphasized that it was essential to allow the handicapped student to compete on a level with other students.

But the question, at least to the fee committee, seemed to be not so much if the program should be funded, but how it could be funded. The total request for \$15,247 represents an extreme burden to the incidental fee budget, so fee committee members and the handicapped students discussed alternatives ranging from getting office space in the EMU addition to pressuring the administration to aid in funding the program.

Faber DeChaine, director of the University Theater, also appealed an executive recommendation of "no funding" in the second-round hearings last night. "If you want students to be able to come to the theater for less cost, then fund us," said DeChaine. He added that the theater would continue to support itself in any case, but ASUO funding up to the amount of \$15,000 would proportionately

reduce student ticket costs. DeChaine said he was confused because the old ASUO executive had come to him asking for lower student ticket prices, then turned around and recommended the denial of funds to make a decrease possible. Calling the theater a "vast, open-minded" program, DeChaine said few other programs offered an opportunity for direct support of so many students. "I want to see more students come to the theater," he said.

Teresa Moreno, a representative of the Migrant Labor Project, criticized the executive for not recommending funding for her program because it is too community oriented. She said that the original request of \$10,800 would be used to supply student manpower to provide services to minorities. "I can't stress the importance of letting our project continue," she said. The program's first priority now, according to project representatives, is a Health Center staffed in part by university medical students.

Emerald editor Torrie McAllister and general manager Al Phelps told committee members that the executive recommendation of \$30,000, an increase of about \$4,000 over this year's allocation, would keep the newspaper running on no better than its present level because of rising production costs. The Emerald's original request for \$44,000 was made in hopes that the newspaper could expand and offer "relevant coverage in every area," according to McAllister. Stating that the Emerald "wants to serve," Phelps said the newspaper offered "a chance to fund the one thing on campus that can do more to help everybody."

Sexual orientation bill moves from committee

SALEM (Special) — The House State and Federal Affairs Committee Tuesday night sent a bill which prohibits discrimination in employment and housing on the basis of "sexual orientation" to the House floor with a "do-pass" recommendation.

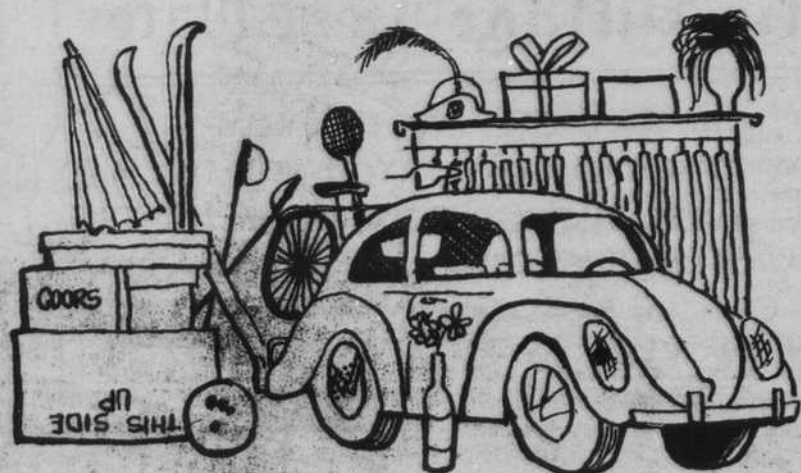
But the first motion to pass the bill (HB 2930), made by Rep. Earl Blumenauer (D-Portland), failed to receive the five votes necessary for committee passage.

The seven of nine committee members present continued to discuss other legislation while the absent members were contacted.

Twenty minutes later, however, when no other committee member had appeared Rep. Sid Bazett (R-Grants Pass) asked committee chairer Rep. Les AuCoin (D-Forest Grove) if he wanted to pass HB 2930.

AuCoin said yes and Bazett moved that the committee adopt the bill, though he said he intended to vote against the measure on the House floor.

In earlier discussion on the bill Bazett had said that gay persons who testify that they were concerned about losing their jobs because of sexual orientation might not have so many problems "if they would get a hair cut and take a bath and shave."



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2:30 Wheatfield
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