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Debbie Lincoln, education budget analyst for the governor, said Wednesday she believes the bill is against executive policy, saying "most agencies do not receive their own interest from revenue. This would be a departure from that policy," she said.

Sen. Grattan Kerans, D-Eugene, who sponsored the bill in the Senate, said he has heard speculation about a possible veto. One possible reason could be that SB400 may encourage the interest earnings from larger

agencies to be returned to the agencies rather than to the State General Fund.

These decisions should be handled case by case, and in this case, the granting of interest back to students deserves support, Kerans said.

"Consistency is the hobgoblin of small minds," Kerans said. Kerans called the bill "intelligent," saying it allows the interest to follow the principle that generates it.

ASUO President Steve Nelson said he understands the gover-

nor's concerns but believes the bill will not set a bad precedent.

"There is no other agency supported by such fees," Nelson said. "If a social service agency were allowed to keep its own interest rather than deposit it into the general fund, a bad precedent would be set, but the education system is unique."

Nelson said the University probably would use the extra resources provided by the bill to expand programs rather than to reduce student fees. Nelson said he does not believe the

legislature will attempt to override a governor's veto on this issue because of the bad feelings it would generate.

However, the overwhelming support the bill received from the House should influence the governor, he added.

Oeser said if the governor signs the bill, it would take effect 90 days after the legislature adjourns next fall.

Once the bill is in effect, each institution will have three separate accounts, each receiv-

ing their own interest on revenue, Oeser said. These three accounts would be for educational activities, fees for student union activities, and for athletics. The University could receive about \$8,000 a year from the interest on educational activities, Oeser said.

Incidental fee committees will deal only with the interest to educational activities, and could choose to reserve it, spend it or use it to lower the amount of incidental fees, Oeser said.

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Other members of the commission, however, were concerned that waiting until fall would result in the loss of invaluable time.

"I'd rather talk about moving ahead than moving backwards," said Gus Keller, chairman of the commission.

Keller said he didn't recall a great number of students participating in the last forums, which were held April 16 and May 6. However, if the commission decides to hold a summer forum, the commission should be willing to contact interested students for their opinions, he said.

A summer forum would be good "as long as we're willing to make a good will effort to make sure people know what we're doing," Keller said.

In other business, the commission heard a report on a market study the Pryde-Roberts firm conducted earlier this year in the Eugene/Springfield area on the feasibility of incubators. Incubators are facilities that help new companies get started and succeed.

Pryde-Roberts did the study for the cities of Eugene and Springfield, which are both planning to open incubators. Eugene will open an incubator on the edge of downtown for software, publishing and research companies.

Springfield will develop an incubator for manufacturing industries on the Booth-Kelly land.

"I think there's a good opportunity for them (at the Riverfront Research Park) from what I understand the University to be about," said Jim Roberts, who presented the report.

If additional incubator space is in demand even after Eugene and Springfield open their incubators, the commission

should consider installing one at the research park, Roberts said.

"It has always been our desire

that there be an incubator (in the research park), but how it looks, where it looks, how much it costs, where it

specifically is sited, what specialties it will have — none of that we have even begun to address," Briner said.

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