

## MOBLEY

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Mobley's candidacy, previously just a thorn in Frohnmayer's side, may have become shackles on the Republican's feet. Mobley just might cost Frohnmayer the election.

A poll released Tuesday by Portland-area TV station KPTV placed Democrat Barbara Roberts at 42 percent of the support, Frohnmayer at 36 percent, Mobley at 14 percent and Libertarian Fred Oerther at 2 percent. Because the poll has a 4 percent error margin, Roberts is seen as having a slight lead over Frohnmayer.

Frohnmayer, having admitted that most of Mobley's conservative support comes from what could have been votes for him, has bashed Mobley as a "spoiler candidate" throughout the campaign. But Frohnmayer's dispute with Mobley over the gubernatorial race is only the visible forefront of a larger battle being waged over abortion within Oregon's Republican Party.

Both sides of the issue point to a series of meetings this spring that led to Mobley's entering the race. Frohnmayer claims the Oregon Citizens Alliance, a conservative group that opposes abortion and of which Mobley was vice-chairman, attempted to blackmail him by presenting a list of demands that Frohnmayer would have to meet for OCA not to run a candidate against him. Members of Mobley's campaign say that Frohnmayer

initiated the meetings and asked for a list of requests.

When those negotiations fell through, Mobley, formerly a Republican, entered the race as an independent candidate. And since then, a constant tug-of-war over abortion has continued between conservative and moderate Republicans.

In September, Republicans in Salem, Eugene, Portland and Medford threatened to resign from their posts within the party to protest GOP drifting from a strong anti-abortion position. Although they didn't quit their posts, Republicans in Lane County drew up a resolution stating they would not support any candidates who refuse to adhere to the GOP platform, which officially opposes abortion.

Nevertheless, Frohnmayer continues to call Mobley a "one-issue candidate," who is a "divisive force" within the campaign. Mobley's main reason for running is to oppose both Frohnmayer and abortion, Frohnmayer said, and "the rest is just frills on the cake."

But Mobley claims Frohnmayer is one-and-the-same with Roberts, and that "Frohnmayer fits with the liberal Democratic platform." Mobley differs with Frohnmayer on issues ranging from property tax relief to school-choice.

However, Mobley does continue to vocally oppose Frohnmayer on abortion. "Frohnmayer probably can't read the GOP state and national party platforms," he said with a laugh.

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initiatives would deny women the right to make their own private choices about abortion.

Frohnmayer described his position on the issue as "long-standing," saying that he "respects the private choice of the woman."

Roberts holds the same conviction. "I believe in a woman's right to choose and would not vote to limit that choice,"

Roberts said early in her campaign.

Libertarian candidate Fred Oerther said he is "pro-choice on everything," stating that "the woman's right to choose should be protected."

Mobley, who switched his party affiliation this spring from Republican to an independent candidate, has called Frohnmayer "just another member of the liberal wing."

Frohnmayer, however, has condemned Mobley, claiming Mobley and the Oregon Citi-

zens Alliance, a conservative group backing the independent, have drawn voters away from the Republican race. This division, in effect, adds support to Roberts' campaign.

The most recent statewide poll, released Tuesday by Portland TV station KPTV, pegged Frohnmayer with 36 percent of the vote against Roberts' 42 percent. Mobley received 14 percent and Oerther drew 2 percent support of the poll, which had a 4 percent error margin.

## DEAD

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Adan has personally collected 1,500 signatures on his own statewide petition drive, and said he expects to have 10,000 when the petitions are returned to him.

He is encouraging everybody who is concerned about the Dead ban to write to Williams. He said he has seen flyers on campus that read "Make Dan

William's office the Dead letter office."

A few people expressed concern that they don't want to cause a rift between the Athletic Department and Dead fans, and some even hope the Athletic Department will support them. "Many sports fans are also Dead fans," Vance said.

There was disagreement about whether the ban is a free speech issue. Vance said it is. "They don't want the Dead to

play because they say they educate the public about drugs through their music."

Adan said it is difficult to determine if this is really a First Amendment violation. "When you talk about censorship and free speech, you get into the issue of public property vs. private property."

Another protest is planned at Autzen Stadium before this Saturday's homecoming game against UCLA.

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