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because it is "incredible that Oregon is the only state in the union that will not allow a police officer to approach and question a person who is about to commit a crime."

Beyond disagreement over the state's law, Mannix angrily rejected any arguments that link his bill with the Los Angeles beating.

"Los Angeles has nothing to do with this issue," he said.

The U.S. Supreme Court has ruled that a person's race, gender or national origin cannot be used as a basis for reasonable suspicion. Because of that ruling, Mannix said that the bill could not be used to justify racial harassment by police.

The court ruled in 1968 that police can stop and question people they believe are about to commit a crime. In 1973, however, the Oregon Legislature adopted a stricter standard that allows police only to intervene when a crime is already in progress.

Mannix said that under current law, if a police officer sees someone in a dark alley at 2 a.m. with burglary tools, the officer cannot stop that person and ask what they're doing.

The bill simply "gives officers the ability to stop anyone who looks suspicious," Mannix said.

This is exactly what concerns David Fidanque, associate director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Oregon.

"Police should not have the right to interrogate someone because they look suspicious," Fidanque said, adding he believes the bill "amounts to an invitation to police to harass people."

Fidanque also said the bill is unnecessary and dangerous because police officers can already stop and question anyone who is committing or has attempted to commit a crime.

"It gives police an opportunity to go on 'fishing expeditions' and harass innocent citizens," he said.

Fidanque said he believes the bill has a slim chance of passage in the Senate, mainly "because there are representatives out there who stand up to this nonsense."

Sen. Jim Hill, D-Salem, vice chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, which is reviewing the bill, said he will be surprised if the bill makes it past the Senate.

Hill said he believes the bill is a symptom of the public's increasing fear of crime. Because of this fear, he believes the police have been given more power.

"We've given police a freer hand and now we're seeing increased police abuses, which reminds us that we need to keep police within constitutional limits," Hill said.

Hill said he will vote against the bill because "you have to be very careful when enacting a procedure where the police can be more intrusive than they already are."

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the full array of opportunities that exists," said Larry Smith, director of Career Planning and Placement. "It's a terrific opportunity for students to just stop by and ask questions, with no commitment."

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The University Student Alumni Association is changing its name back to the **Student University Relations Council**. SURC, first formed in 1978, is a non-profit student service organization that coordinates projects such as Homecoming, Mayfest and Parents' Weekend. It also organizes campus blood drives and the Take a Duck to Lunch program.

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the library is quickly running out of space. "There wouldn't be any seating in the library at all after a while (if the improvements weren't done)," he said.

Outdoor Program Building

Also in the works for campus, Levinski said, is a new outdoor program building, tentatively planned for 18th Avenue and University Street, south of Howe Field. "Construction drawings are between 50 and 100 percent complete," she said.

The Outdoor Program is now housed in the EMU basement, but the program's equipment is scattered across campus at different locations, Levinski said.

She said the new building will allow program members to consolidate their equipment in

The council is a university relations body under the advisorship of the UO Alumni Association. It acts as a liaison between the community and the University as well as between the administration and the student body.

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U of O News, a production of the School of Journalism's Advanced TV News class, will broadcast question and answer sessions with the 1991 ASUO presidential and vice presidential candidates.

The broadcasts are Fridays at 6:30 p.m. on Cable channel 34. This Friday's broadcast will feature Bills/Watson and Dunlap/Seeley. Next Friday's broadcast will feature Colson/Grayson.

one place. She said she expects construction to get under way this summer.

Site Improvement Project

Finally, the University is nearing the last phases of a "multi-contract site improvement project" at the new science buildings, University Planning Associate Fred Tepfer, said.

The U.S. Department of Energy and the state of Oregon will be paying \$800,000 for workers to plant shrubs, trees, grass and other foliage around the facilities.

In a two-part process, the state will also help fund the construction of 53 parking spaces between Franklin Boulevard and the buildings. About half of the spaces will be completed in this fall, while the other half will be finished fall '92.



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