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**SALES TAX**

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Opposing any regressive measures placed on the state's poor, Cardoza's group is also hoping that 1990's Ballot Measure 5 will later be challenged and struck down. That would represent a true victory for the state's poor and elderly, he said.

Cardoza said supporters of both Ballot Measure 5 and Ballot Measure 1 have been Oregon's wealthy property owners, people who he said should still be paying for Oregon schools.

"This is totally pushed by people of wealth in this state," he said.

Ballot Measure 1, if passed, would level an across-the-board, 5 percent tax on all consumer items, except some necessities like food and some farm products like hay.

SOS officially began working against the tax package Sept. 1, Cardoza said.

So far, the activist group has received about \$3,000 in donations.

Cardoza said the group has been very "thrifty" with its money, channelling messages to its opposition in opinion stories, news articles and speaker panels, besides distributing leaflets around the University and in Eugene.

From now until the court makes its decision, Cardoza said the group won't change its strategy.

"We're concerned about schools," he said, adding that if the measure passes, "we are still going to be actively involved."

**Court rules sales tax should be on ballot**

SALEM (AP) — The Nov. 9 sales tax vote may go forward despite questions about the constitutionality of the ballot measure, the Oregon Supreme Court ruled Thursday.

The court reversed a decision by a Marion County judge last week that said the sales tax measure, sent to the ballot by the Oregon Legislature, was unconstitutional.

Circuit Judge Albin Norblad had ruled that the sales tax could not remain on the ballot as a single issue because it would enact more than one amendment, a violation of the state constitution.

But the Supreme Court said the lawsuit challenging the sales tax was not filed early enough.

The lawsuit was filed Oct. 4 by Joe Foxall, president of The Executive Club, a political activists' group in the Portland area.

Norblad's ruling, if allowed to stand, would have meant that the sales tax package could not appear on the ballot unless it was split into several parts.

And state election officials said that could not have been done within legal time limits, so the Nov. 9 vote would have been canceled.

Mark Nelson, campaign manager for the pro-sales tax campaign, said he was "extremely gratified" that the state's highest court had turned down what he called a bogus lawsuit.

"Courts traditionally have ruled against last-minute public relations ploys by opponents to try to remove measures from the ballot," Nelson said.

Nelson, a Salem lobbyist and political consultant, also said he didn't think the lawsuit had tainted the sales tax measure in voters' minds.

"We're happy to have the opportunity to get back to the campaign trail and talk about the real issues," he said.

One of the leading opponents of the sales tax, health club owner Don McIntire, said he wished the Supreme Court had dealt with the constitutional questions surrounding the sales tax.

Still, McIntire said he was glad that the sales tax will be on the November ballot.

"We want people to be able to vote on the sales tax, because we think they are going to bury it," said McIntire, chief architect of the Ballot Measure 5 property tax limit approved by voters in 1990.

**INVESTIGATION**

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tigation, and we'll take actions accordingly."

Ayse Aksay from Cyprus, who was defeated by Shing in the ISA election before the summer, said that she did not wish to comment on Shing's status as a non-student during the election campaign.

"All I can say is that I didn't know about it, but what has been done has been done," she said. "I want the ISA to remain a big family, and I hope this won't damage the association in any way."

Peter Briggs, an adviser at the Office of International Education and Exchange, said this was an affair for the students to deal with.

"Our office does not wish to get involved in student affairs such as this," he said. But he said this case has no precedent during the 13 years that he has worked with the ISA.

The investigation also deals with complaints about Shing's leadership style. Loo said a number of people have complained about what they see as an autocratic and inflexible leadership style.

Douffy Youm from Senegal, the co-director of the ISA, said he and Shing "aren't talking to each other."

"We were elected as a team, but right now we're just not working with each other," Youm said.

Shing does not perceive his leadership style as a problem.

"The ISA is a very diverse group with members from all over the world," he said. "Every year, the association encounters situations that are similar in nature. Leaders change, and leadership styles change with them. There will always be an element of autocracy in leadership, because it's impossible for a leader to consult everyone before he or she makes a decision. But my experience so far is that I'm working very well with the sub-groups. As for the co-director, I think we're working well together, and our relationship is continuously getting better."

The ASUO expects to finish the investigation in about two weeks.

**ET ALS**

MEETINGS

**African Students Association** will meet today at 6 p.m. in EMU Walnut Room. For more information, call 465-1321.

**Muslim Student Association** will meet today at 5 p.m. in 110 Willamette to vote on proposed amendments and nominations for executive committee. For more information, call 346-3798.

**Student Health Insurance Committee** will meet today at 2 p.m. in the Student Health Center Medical Library. For more information, call 346-3702.

**Students for Equal Access** will meet today at 3 p.m. in EMU Suite 1. For more information, call 346-0611.

**Endangered Species and Wildlife Conservation Issues Group** will have its first meeting today at 3 p.m. in the Survival Center. For more information, call 346-4356.

MISCELLANEOUS

**Amazon Community Tenants** will sponsor an open house for past and future Amazon residents Saturday, Oct. 23, at 2 p.m., at 2227 Patterson. For more information, call 484-9167.

**Dr. Ross Kiestler** of U.S. Forest Service will speak on "Analysis of Biogeographic Data for Conservation," today at 2 p.m. in 110 Willamette.

Deadline for submitting Et Als to the Emerald front desk, 300 EMU, is noon the day before publication. The news editor does not have a time machine. Et Als run the day of the event unless the event takes place before noon.

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