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and I really didn't have my heart in it all the way," Howe said. "I'm sure my replacement will do a good job."

Warren will nominate a student to fill Howe's position. She said that she will confer with other ASUO staffers after they return from winter break. The senate must ratify her nomination.

"I'm pretty bummed, because he was a cool guy to have on the senate. He didn't always agree with everybody. He had a unique view and brought some diversity," Reed said.

The motion alleges that Howe failed to perform several duties, including attending meetings and keeping office hours. Howe confirmed that he didn't assist the student groups he had been assigned with their budget writing. The ASUO Program Finance Committee will begin hearing budgets tonight.

"John did nothing to help us at all and our budget was much harder to put together. It all fell on the [group's] officers," said Jack Mills, treasurer



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he formally resigns. Lyons, however, said that "he didn't want to" drop the motion because Howe "hasn't done his job."

Senate President and ASUO Vice President Mark Rhinard said that the senate will review the motion in light of Howe's resignation.

Howe plans to formally resign after he receives pay for his service during fall term. Due to a clerical error, he has not been paid for September through December.

of the Native American Student Union.

Howe expressed anger over Keech and Lyons' motion to revoke his November stipend. "It upsets me. I feel that some people are bringing out personal feelings — people who want to burn me anyway they can."

Howe expects the senate will drop the motion after

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and arrest for a drug crime or prostitution.

People who live in the areas that are part of the SOAP and SODA laws will not be expected to abide by the ordinance, McCarthy said. "We will find some other way to deal with them," he said. Typically the problem is not with people who live in these areas, but people who visit to conduct illegal activity.

The decision to look into possible changes came last summer. The Whiteaker neighborhood has become "really, really ugly in the last six months," McCarthy said.

This neighborhood has a lot of crime problems that no one else in the city has to deal with. It traditionally has the cheapest rent and the greatest number of immigrants, he said.

Members of the community pressured the council to make some decisions concerning the problems of crime and panhandling. In the fall of 1994 the council directed the city attorney to get together with the police department to develop ordinances to solve the problems.

The third proposed ordinance would change the way the police enforce the camping ban in the city. Currently, officers first give a warning to a person sleeping in a car

before they issue a citation. The new ordinance would eliminate the warning.

There were originally five proposals, but two were abandoned early in the process because of problems.

One of the discarded proposals would have moved up curfew from midnight to 10 p.m. After some discussion this idea was abandoned because it was "totally unworkable," tapping police resources that weren't available.

The second ordinance proposal to be discarded was a mandatory criminal background check for potential renters of apartments. This was dropped because of legal issues including privacy.

## Amtrak expands service in Eugene by adding buses

Ben Moebius  
*Oregon Daily Emerald*

Amtrak is working to expand its travel services between Eugene and Seattle by adding an unusual element to their train schedule — buses.

Amtrak began offering four daily round-trip Thruway buses between Eugene and Portland in mid-December to supplement its scheduled trains, said Bob Krebs, service operations manager with the Oregon Department of Transportation.

Amtrak's Thruway buses provide guaranteed connections with train services at Portland's Union Station, Krebs said.

"The buses are part of Amtrak's efforts to expand passenger services between Seattle and Portland," Krebs said. "They were used a lot during the holiday, but we expect ridership to drop some in January."

Six round-trip buses are offered each day between Eugene and Portland with four connections to Seattle. A round-trip ticket from Eugene to Portland costs \$20, but prices vary during peak travel dates. A round-trip ticket between Eugene and Seattle costs \$42.

## Mayor issues train travel challenge

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Eugene Mayor Ruth Bascom has issued a challenge to Portland Mayor Vera Katz claiming that more people will board Amtrak's Mount Rainier trains and buses for destinations to the north than will board in Portland for points south.

The terms of the wager are from Jan. 1 to Jan. 31. Mayor Bascom has even offered to forgo any adjustments for Eugene's smaller population.

If Bascom prevails Katz will be required to attend a performance at the Eugene's Hult Center for the Performing Arts sometime in 1995. If Katz wins Bascom will attend a performance at the Portland Center for the Performing Arts.

The winner will be announced during the Cascadia Corridor Conference to be held in Eugene on Feb. 16 and 17.

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