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Tim Miller practices with juggling pins Monday afternoon by Chapman Hall. Miller is a manager at the Micro Computer Lab on campus.

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Suicide law sent back to voters

■ **REPEAL:** The House voted to put the controversial law back on the ballot after new information was presented

By Brad Cain
Associated Press

SALEM—The House today decided to ask Oregonians to vote again this fall on whether they want to repeal the state's assisted suicide law.

In 1994, Oregon became the first

state in the nation to allow doctors to prescribe life-ending drugs to terminally ill patients who request them.

However, opponents of assisted suicide said new information warrants sending the issue back to voters in November.

The House voted 32-26 to ship HB2954 to the Senate, which is expected to approve it.

The measure cleared the House after supporters said studies in the

Netherlands found that about 25 percent of patients endure lingering deaths of three hours to several days when taking oral medication alone.

But House members who support the assisted-suicide law said lawmakers are merely trying an end-run around voters who already have given their verdict on physician-assisted suicide.

The announced vote on the bill was 31-27.

Congestion leads to changes in bus routes

Students who are used to catching a bus to campus between Pearl and Oak streets on 10th Avenue will be out of luck starting today.

Section E buses, which include routes 11, 18, 19, 23, 29, 34, and 35 to campus, will be routed on Charnelton Street to 13th Avenue, where they will resume their regular route.

"Students who previously caught the bus between Pearl and Oak can either catch the bus as the Eugene

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station or catch it over on 13th Avenue," said Andy Vobora, LTD representative.

Section G bus routes 81 and 82, which run to Lane Community College, and route 61S, which runs to Oakway, will be rerouted to run on

the other side of the street.

Congestion problems resulting from construction on the new Lane Transit District station have forced LTD to reroute some of the buses.

"There have been a lot of problems regarding traffic congestion in the construction area," Vobora said. "All of the route changes are temporary until the fall, when the new station is completed. After that we should be able to move them back to their original areas."

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