

## Publish teacher evaluations

A bill now before the state legislature would help students be better shoppers for a priceless commodity.

House Bill 2831 would make it possible for student governments to publish the results of instructor evaluations filled out by students at the end of each term.

According to Molly Smith, Oregon Student Lobby (OSL) legislative coordinator, the bill would have an effect on the number of classes students drop and possibly graduate sooner.

One of the main reasons students drop classes is the lack of information on classes and instructors. At the College, the only sources of information on classes are catalogs and course schedules. Passage of this bill would help alleviate this problem.

If the bill passes, the results of teacher evaluations would be used in conjunction with course improvement programs that would help make better instructors. In addition, students could make more informed decisions about choosing a course or instructor.

The new legislation would make it possible, but not mandatory, for student governments to publish the results. Administrators, faculty and students at each institution would work together to formulate the evaluations. Publication of these evaluations would be up to the student organizations.

Two provisions in the bill include the right for an instructor to have a rebuttal printed next to this evaluation if he feels that some extenuating circumstances caused the poor evaluations. The other provisions state that first year instructors would not have their evaluations printed.

We urge you to support HB 2831. Students pay hard-earned money for classes only to find out too late that the classes weren't what they wanted.

More public testimony will be taken tomorrow at the state capitol during a continued hearing on the bill. If you are not able to attend the hearing in Salem, call the OSL or your representative and tell them what you think.

Education is a commodity. Get your money's worth.

## FRANKLY SPEAKING ...by phil frank

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## feedback

### To The Editor:

This is intended as an open letter to all students and faculty who were concerned for the continuation of the Malheur Field Station and the retention of its director, Dr. Denzel Ferguson. I speak for the M.F.S. Consortium Advisory Council and myself in exten-

ding my heartfelt thanks for the tremendous support by all students and faculty. And, a special thanks to those who wrote letters of support to various legislators and to those who had planned to attend the hearing on March 22.

The statement which was developed by Chancellor Lieuallen and presented by him to the Education Subcommittee of the Ways and Means Committee was one of mutual agreement by all intimately concerned with the controversy. The statement is intended to open pathways leading to solutions of some of the concerns expressed.

The Malheur Field Station is in operation in the usual manner and all those who go to the M.F.S. this summer to enroll in one of the summer classes will be greeted by its director, Dr.

Denzel Ferguson, also as usual.

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