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#### **Transgender Sues State**

A national civil rights group has filed a lawsuit against the state of Oregon, claiming it denied insurance coverage of a medical procedure for a transgender state worker. Lambda

Legal filed the suit Tuesday on behalf of Alec Esquivel, 42, an Oregon Court of Appeals clerk.

## **New Cigarette Warnings**

The Food and Drug Administration announced the first change to cigarette pack's health warnings in 25 years on Tuesday when they unveiled nine graphic warning labels,

which cigarette companies will be Earthquakes Reserves in an MLS required to print by the fall of 2012 on the top half of every cigarette pack, and 20 percent of every poster or advertisement.

### **Timbers Win**

A second-half goal by forward Eddie Johnson helped the Portland Timbers gain a 2-1 win over the San Jose

Reserve League match at JELD-WEN Field in Portland on Tuesday afternoon.

#### State Promotes College

The Oregon House voted 46-14 Tuesday in favor of a proposed law that adopts the goal to have 40 percent of Oregonians with a college degree by the year 2025. The bill goes next to Gov. John Kitzhaber, who plans to sign it into law.

#### Urine in City Water

The Portland Water Bureau sent eight million gallons of drinking water down the drain after a 21-year-old man was caught on a security camera urinating into Mt. Tabor Reservoir.

# Helping produce plywood and paychecks in Rogue River.

The plywood mill has always been the biggest employer in this tight-knit southern Oregon community. When it shut down two years ago, a lot of families felt the impact.

Now, thanks to funding from the Oregon Lottery, the plant is up and running again, employing more than 100 workers. "It just brings stability to a lot of people's lives,"

says local resident and mill employee Joshua Mize. "Rogue River is a really nice place to live, and having jobs keeps the town alive." A business - and a community - brought back to life. It's just one more example of how Lottery dollars work to keep Oregon working.

