

Enjoying the open house at the Child Development Center are the youngsters who attend. From the left, Rachel Terney, Kelly Brannon and Jacque Johnston.

Correct address for tax rebate checks

separately.

who filed their 1974 federal income tax returns may have their rebate checks delayed, "Ralph B. Short, IRS District Director, explained, "if they have moved since filing and failed to notify their post office of their current address."

Taxpayers who have moved and failed to leave the post office a change-of-address form, may have their rebate checks returned to the disbursing center marked "undeliverable.

Taxpayers anticipating rebates who have a different

"Some Oregon taxpayers then rebate will be 10 per cent up to a maximum of \$200. For Our 200th Birthday Taxpayers with adjusted gross incomes exceeding \$20,000 will have rebates reduced by \$1 for every \$100 of income over the \$20,000 level. The maximum rebate allowable for taxpayers with adjusted gross incomes exceeding \$30,000 is \$100.

Short stated that the Tax Reduction Act of 1975 limits rehates to a maximum of \$100 Sponsor an environmental for married taxpayers filing improvement Write

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Lawmakers have chance to save everyone money

Legislation often is considered that would save money for some taxpayers at the expense of others. But more often than not, legislative solutions wind up costing nearly everyone more-and in sums the average citizen has difficulty comprehending.

The Legislature's Senate Judiciary Committee however, has before it a proposal designed to save everyone money. If enacted, some proponents content it could help produce the most significant dollar saving for the average Oregon resident since repeal of the politically unpalpable surfax-income tax rate revision of 1955-57.

The measure before Senate Judiciary is Senate Bill 822 aimed at deterring a common criminal practice that is costing Oregonians more than \$25 million a year.

The \$25 million is a highly conservative estimate of the annual loss to Oregon merchants from shoplifters. whose activity significantly increases the cost of doing business and is reflected in prices honest consumers pay for merchandise they buy.

For example, theft of a \$10 item from a store operating on a 2 per cent after-tax profit margin means the retailer must sell \$500 worth of merchandise to compensate for the loss.

Oregon law already deals adequately with the criminal aspects of shoplifting. Thefts of this type to \$200 in value are misdemeanors punishable by up to a year in jail and \$1,000 fine. Thefts in excess of \$200 become class C felonies. punishable by as much as five years in jail and a fine of \$2,500

But these penalties have not deterred a steadily rising rate of what often is described as the country's most common crime

Thirty years ago the average merchant could expect one visitor out of 60 in his store would try to steal something. Today the odds have risen to the point one out of 15 customers is a potential shoplifter and one shoplifter out of 20 gets caught.

Sixty-five per cent of all shoplifters are amateurs. Seventy-five per cent of those amateurs are teenagers and seventy per cent of teenage amateur shoplifters are girls. according STEM.

stand for Shoplifters Take Everybody's Money. And in Oregon, the "take" is in excess of \$70,000 daily. S.T.E.M. has concentrated

its efforts on convincing teens and their younger brothers and sisters that shoplifting is a crime. And its efforts have paid off. Following an intensive campaign during a recent Christmas shopping season, one Portland department store reported a forty per cent decline in shoplifting apprehensions.

While concentrating on young people, S.T.E.M's purpose is not to put teenage shoplifters in jail. It is designed to keep them out of jail and to save everyone money. Oregon merchants so far have invested nearly \$60,000 in the program and are continuing its support.

They also have increased security personnel by 25 per cent in recent years and have spent countless thousands of dollars on other shoplifting deterrents, such as store architecture, display techniques, electonic price tags and a multitude of surveillance devices. But each additional expenditure helps increase the cost burden ultimately borne by the honest customer.

SB 822 is patterned after successful laws adopted in Idaho and Nevada. It does not tamper with current criminal procedures-by which most large stores can and do apprehend and prosecute shoplifters. Highly trained security personnel in one Portland department store caught 800 shoplifters last year. Enactment of the new law

would help the small retailer most

Several provisions clarify existing statutes regarding Several provisions clarify existing statutes regarding detention of suspects and parental liability in criminal actions. But of greatest significance is a section that would enable merchants to recover stolen property and seek damages of from \$100 to \$250 in civil proceedings. It would extend that civil liability to parents and legal guardians of

minors. As with S.T.E.M., SB 822 is designed to reduce shoplifting-not to put youthful offenders behind bars.

Senate Judiciary Committee has already conducted two hearings on the bill and is expected to take subsequent action soon. Spurring that action may be testimony from a seventh and eighth grade attitude survey conducted by teams of high school students in ten cities. Interviewers reported more than half the seventh and eighth graders questioned admitted they shoplifted. Seventy per cent recognize shoplifting is a crime and sixty-five per cent favor stronger laws against shoplifting.

It would almost appear Oregon lawmakers have an opportunity to help those who find if too difficult to help themselves and save everyone. money at the same time.

Ulman urges

The federal government ought to weed its own backyard, Cong. Al Uliman said as he requested \$500,000 to bring weed infestations under control on public lands in Oregon. Testifying before the Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, Ullman said 10 to 15 per cent of Oregon has become infested with noxious weeds because the federal government has been ignoring he weed problem on its own lands He asked the committee to

increase the administration's \$50,000 budget for weed control fo \$500,000 because the continuing infestation from public land is costing Oregon agriculture millions of dollars. Ullman also requested a budget increase for the Cooperative Forestry Research Program through Oregon State University, and testified that almost no funds are available for the recently expanded Farmers Home Administration housing programs.

BMCC offers farm program

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The college budget, to be

voted on in Umatilla and

Morrow counties, will require

a levy of \$1,465,594 to operate

the college for the next school

year. The rate is expected to

be between \$1.85 and \$1.95 per

\$1000 true cash value. Cost per

taxpayer would run between

\$37 and \$39 for a \$20,000 home.

The rate depends on total

BMCC has no tax base.

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A new farm management program designed to help area farmers operate more efficiently will be added to Blue Mountain Community College's offerings if the college budget is approved by the voters May 6.

The program was added to the college's growing agriculture curriculum after a citizen advisery group appeared before the board and budget committee in February

Budget Committee member Ben Holdman, Pendleton, asked that the farm program be added because "the college has an obligation to provide the additional services to farmers." He said, "Agriculture forms the base of our economy, and if we can't help

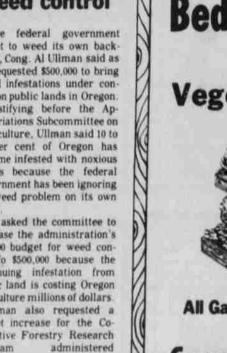
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Short also provided some simple rules for determining the amount of tax rebate to be received:

If tax liability is less than \$100, then rebate will be full amount. If liability is \$100 to \$1,000, then rebate will be \$100. If liability is more than \$1,000.

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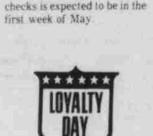
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