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Controversial 'bottle bill' to come up in legislature

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North Carolina's controversial "bottle bill" is scheduled to be introduced to the state legislature today, and supporters plan to ask for a state referendum to give the bill the best chance of passing since its introduction to the state's lawmakers in 1973.

The bill would put a five cent minimum deposit on all soft drink and beer containers which could be refunded when the container is returned to the retailer, said one of the bill's co-sponsors, Rep. Dave Diamont, D-Surry.

The bill has been considered and defeated in every session of the legislature since 1973, but this year the bill has been modified several ways.

"The unique feature of the bill this time is that we are calling for a state-wide referendum," Diamont said. "We believe the people should have an opportunity to vote on this."

Voters would decide on the bill in November

1982 if the state referendum proposal is accepted, Diamont said. Should the proposal pass, it would become law in December 1983.

Beer breweries, soft drink retailers, retail stores and manufacturers of glass and metal containers oppose the bottle bill, Diamont said.

Owen's Illinois, a manufacturing company which produces only non-returnable containers, is one of the groups which is fighting passage of the bill.

"We are unalterably opposed to any form of restrictive legislation," said Jerry Arkebauer, a spokesman for the Toledo-based company. Arkebauer said that there was no reduction in litter or waste in the six states which have already passed bottle-deposit laws. He said the laws in those states, which include Oregon, Vermont, Maine and Michigan, have destroyed jobs for skilled laborers and have cost taxpayers money.

But Diamont said the laws were popular in those states which had passed deposit laws. "It has been highly popular in each of these states

and each one had a fight similar to the one in North Carolina before the bills were passed," he said. "In the state that the bottle bill passed, it has never been repealed, and it is popular, and that is the main test."

In order to accommodate retail stores which oppose the bill, the sponsors have included new features this year. "Another different feature of the bill this time is that it will make it better for convenience stores. We tried to put some things in the bill for their benefit," Diamont said.

According to the bill's proposals, a store has the right to refuse to take a container back if it has any material that is foreign to its contents, Diamont said. He said this portion was added to the bill because "the idea is not to turn the grocer's into a garbage collection center."

All stores accepting cans and bottles would be allowed a one cent handling charge for processing. "The retailer will have to have some space to store the bottles, so he should get some money out of it (the bill) to cover expenses," Diamont

said, but he said the increase would probably be charged to the consumer.

The bill also allows the stores to collect bottles at times other than during business hours as long as they post a sign stating the loss collection times, which have to total 40 hours a week.

Cleaning up roadside litter and debris is one of the major benefits the bill will provide, Diamont said. "We claim that bottles and cans make up 20 to 40 percent of litter on the side of the road," he said.

The bill's sponsors also claim the legislation would save energy. "The recycling and refilling process is much less energy-intensive than making the container from raw materials," Diamont said.

Should the bill pass, the sponsors said there would be an overall increase in jobs in the area of the distribution of the product. Diamont said there also would be a reduction in solid waste of approximately 5 percent.

"In general, there will be a savings of raw materials and natural resources because you're using them over and over again," Diamont said.

Many changes would have to be made if the bottle bill becomes law. The industry would have to adopt a recycling attitude toward soft drink and beer containers in place of the disposable, waste-producing one it now has, Diamont said.

The retailers, he said, "fight the bill like crazy because they are concerned that they will have to deal with taking the bottles back in. It's an inconvenience for them because they'll have to store the bottles."

"It will probably cost them something," he said. "There will be an initial capital outlay on their (the retailers') part. We have got to change the industry back to the way it used to be. There has to be an economic incentive to change our lifestyle back to using things over again."

Solidarity threatens strike

The Associated Press

BYDGOSZCZ, Poland — Lech Walesa, national leader of the independent union Solidarity, threatened to strike every factory in Poland if the communist government declared a state of emergency or imposes a curfew, union sources said early today.

They said Walesa gave the warning in a motion he submitted to a meeting of Solidarity's national commission. The meeting was called to decide whether to strike over last week's beating of three unionists in the government building of this northwestern city.

The urgent talks opened Monday night and lasted into the early morning hours. The union sources said Walesa also had proposed a suspension of the talks, but they gave no further details.

Thousands of people milled about outside the railway workers' club near the main train station as the union chiefs discussed the worst police-union clash since Solidarity was formed last summer.

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DTH-Jay Hyman

Run on the Hill

More than 900 participated in the annual Run on the Hill to raise funds for the Orange County Heart Association Sunday. Despite weather conditions of rain and snow on Fetzer Field, approximately \$1,000 was collected. Groups sponsoring the Run included Student Government, The Happy Store, dormitories, fraternities and sororities.

Cuts would hurt public television

By KATHERINE LONG
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Public television faces serious financial problems and threats to its independence if President Reagan's proposed cutback of funding is approved, public TV officials said recently.

Reagan has proposed to rescind 25 percent of funds already appropriated, and would destroy the protection that non-commercial TV has against politics dictating its programming. Presently, funds are appropriated for public TV two years in advance to keep political manipulation out of programming.

John Ford, planner for the National Association of Public Television Stations, said Reagan's plans could undermine public TV's insulation from politics. "Right now," Ford said, "any administration or any congress can't turn around and pull the plug on public TV. To rescind even one dollar would undermine our insulation."

Reagan's proposal would take back \$43 million of the \$172 million already appropriated for public TV for 1982.

"It is not a thing for Congress to get involved in," said John Dunlop, director of UNC's Center for Public Television (CPT). The center, based in Chapel Hill, controls all programming to the eight public television stations located throughout the state. CPT was created last April, but public TV has been on the air in North Carolina for 25 years.

For North Carolina, the effect of any cut in federal funds will be minimal because only \$600,000 of North Carolina public TV's \$4 million budget comes from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, which distributes federal funds. Most of the rest of the money comes from the state government, and Dunlop said there are no cuts in the state budget for public TV in

the future. "We get wonderful support (from the state)," he said.

Dunlop said North Carolina would lose only about \$160,000 from the federal government if Reagan's budget cuts were approved.

Dunlop and John Young, assistant director for CPT, said the center had not made plans for how to handle a cut in funds. "It's got to affect programming," Young said. "The exact effects we just don't know."

CPT raises all the money needed to buy programming through fund-raisers. This year's fund-raiser, Festival 1981, ended Sunday. The event raised more than half a million dollars for the station.

Public TV programs are being indirectly threatened by other budget cuts, Ford said. The money used to produce public TV programs often comes from government agencies such as the National Science Foundation. These agencies also are facing cutbacks and won't be able to provide as much money for new programs as they have in the past, Ford said.

A bill introduced into the Senate communications subcommittee by Sen. Barry Goldwater, R-Ariz., would allow public TV to explore other ways to make money, such as limited advertising.

But, TV officials say advertising won't net enough income to be practical.

"We'd be spending our time making commercials instead of programming," Dunlop said.

The only way some public TV stations may be able to cope with the cuts will be to cut back programming and cancel special projects, Ford said.

"We're doing everything we can to convince the administration that stations need all the money they're getting," Young said.

The Munchies

Late night restaurant choices after 3:00 a.m. limited

By SHARON DARLING
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It's 2:00 a.m. You're pulling an all-nighter for an exam when all of a sudden the munchies strike. You reach into the refrigerator for a snack — alas — there's nothing there. You decide to go out for something. But where?

If you don't want to fix it yourself, your choices are limited, at least in Chapel Hill.

Breadmen's, a late-night haunt for years, cut back from being open 24 hours to closing at 3:30 a.m. about a year and a half ago, and this summer started closing at midnight. "We didn't want to make one big cultural shock," said Bill Piscitello, one of the managers, of the gradual change.

Another late-night eatery, the Dunkin' Donuts location on West Franklin Street, closed down completely a few weeks ago.

There were many reasons for cutting back Breadmen's hours, Piscitello said. "The late-night business did cut down quite a bit. When we were open 24 hours about three or four years ago, the crowd between Kirkpatrick's and He's Not Here was right here. Whether

they're partying at frats or in dorms I don't know, but they're just not here," he said.

Piscitello also cited the moving of Elliott's Nest as a factor in the decline of late night business. The nightclub moved from Graham Street to a location on the Durham-Chapel Hill Boulevard.

Financial considerations were another reason for cutting back. "The expense of late night was more than it was worth," Piscitello said. "When you're open for 24 hours you have to have an extra crew."

One restaurant that decided to venture into late night service despite the potential problems was the Looking Glass Cafe, which started staying open 24 hours on Jan. 15. It is the only 24-hour restaurant in Chapel Hill at present.

Manager Shirl Tharp said Looking Glass' 24-hour policy was started "to help business along, plus every place that had stayed open 24 hours closed and there was just no place to go. We had a real slow December and January and had to do something about it."

Tharp said there is a definite difference in the clientele that comes in after midnight. "You know it's just a whole different scene," she

said. "We get mostly students after they've closed the town bars."

She said only one incident has occurred since the hour change.

"A guy walked through our door last night (March 19) without opening it," Tharp said. He suffered minor cuts.

Bill Livesay, manager of Roy Rogers Family Restaurant on Mallett Street, also says there's a difference in the after-midnight crowd. "The money is the same color green but naturally after they've been out partying they're a little rowdy."

Roy's stays open until 2 a.m. Sunday through Thursday and until 3 a.m. on weekends.

Livesay said he had experienced no crowd problems after midnight. "I haven't had to call the police — I've never seen a fight in here."

Business after midnight is best on weekends, Livesay said. "On weekends from 12:00 to 3:00 a.m. is real good. During the week, sometimes it's not so good. Five minutes after the bars close on Fridays and Saturdays they'll start lining up," he said.

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Orientation planned

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Even though most thoughts are far from next semester, planning for Orientation has already begun.

Freshman Orientation Counselor applicants were interviewed in groups last week and will be notified of the selection decision before April 12. Of those interviewed, about 640 will be chosen.

Applications for Junior Transfer Orientation Counselors are still being accepted, and interviews have not begun yet.

"The big change in the selection process is group interviews as opposed to individual interviews," Ruthie Leaver, Orientation Commission chairman said. "We can learn how someone acts in groups, and how knowledgeable and sensitive they are."

Individual interviews were arranged for those individuals who felt that their qualifications were not accurately reflected in the group interviews. Ann Bowden of Student Affairs, the commission's adviser, said, "This reflects an

effort to get a fairer picture of applicants, and group interviews encourage creative responses to the needs of new students."

The commission reviewed the program held last fall before planning this fall's program.

"Overall last year, it was a very good program, but this year we are trying to remedy problems indicated in the evaluations," said Orientation Commission Assistant Chairperson Walter Reid. Such problems included the lack of campus tours for freshmen and confusion about academic policies.

"We are working on an O.C. handbook, which isn't a new idea, but a revamped one. It will contain practical information, focusing on academics, so the O.C.s can get the freshmen as well informed as possible," Reid said.

The Orientation Commission created the positions of Assistant Chairperson and Treasurer in response to needs in past years. The Assistant Chairperson relieves the Chairperson of some

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