

# Change in age policy gains support

UNL sophomores may have less trouble moving out of the residence halls than some upperclassmen had moving in this fall if the Council on Student Life (CSL) adopts a proposal to change the housing policy's mandatory on-campus living age.

A proposal to leave the on-campus living requirement

## Sales, income tax lower next year

Nebraskans will pay one-half percent less in sales taxes and two percent less in income taxes next year.

A 3 percent sales tax and a 16 percent income tax for 1978 was approved by a 3-2 vote by the State Board of Equalization and Assessment Tuesday.

The taxes, down from last year's sales tax of 3.5 percent and income tax of 18 percent, will become effective January 1, 1978.

State Treasurer Frank Marsh and Secretary of State Allen Beermann were the dissenting voters. Beermann originally moved to set the taxes at 3 percent and 17 percent. Marsh seconded the motion.

Governor J. James Exon said he thought the 1978 tax collection would "adequately meet the needs of the state." He added that he thought if there is extra money in the state treasury, the Nebraska Legislature would spend it and that he doesn't think the state treasury should "pile up" the taxpayers money.

at age 20, but exempt sophomores, gained more CSL support than two other proposals presented by the subcommittee on the Age of Students in Living Units, according to Lynn Paustian, subcommittee member.

Subcommittee proposals to drop the age from 20 to 19, or to drop the age and exempt sophomores were less popular because they would result in increased residence hall room and board rates, Paustian said.

Douglas Zatecha, housing director, said the favored proposal also would affect residence hall rates but would increase them less than the others.

Zatecha said he can't determine how much the increase would be with each proposal because it would depend on future enrollment and the number of students wanting to live in the residence halls.

However, he said he hopes CSL will not recommend anything that will "pinch the students more than we're already pinching them."

Zatecha also said some residence hall living should be required because of its educational value.

He cited the Astin study, a national research survey of 44,000 students, which showed that residence hall living is conducive to students staying in school.

Paustian said the subcommittee took the educational value aspect into consideration and the favored proposal reflects it.

Zatecha said he is not ready to take a position on the proposal because it hasn't been adequately explored.

However, since a CSL recommendation must go through the vice chancellor, chancellor and ultimately the NU Board of Regents, Zatecha said there will be enough time to study possible changes thoroughly before making a decision.

Paustian said the proposals were designed to get feedback from CSL on the residence hall age subject brought up last spring.

The council should decide whether to recommend a change in the housing policy at Thursday's meeting, she said.



### union calendar

- 6 p.m. — NUPIRG, room 216
- 6 p.m. — Christian Science Organization, south conference room
- 6 p.m. — Multi-cultural tutoring, room 225 G
- 6:30 p.m. — Council on Student Life, room 203
- 6:30 p.m. — Builders, room 222
- 7 p.m. — Eta Sigma Gamma, room 212A
- 7 p.m. — New Student Orientation, room 202
- 7 p.m. — Baptist student union, north conference room
- 7 p.m. — Union Program Council Film- "On the Waterfront", Centennial room
- 7 p.m. — Baha'i Association, room 337
- 7 p.m. — Beta Alpha Psi, auditorium
- 7 p.m. — Mexican American Student Association, room 343
- 7 p.m. — Students' International Meditation Society prep lecture, room 232
- 7:30 p.m. — Math counselors, room 225
- 9 p.m. — Union Program Council Film- "On the Waterfront", Centennial room
- 10 a.m. — Union Program Council, Auditorium
- 10:45 a.m. — International Education Service committee, room 210
- 11:30 a.m. — Fellowship of Christian Athletes, room 202 A
- Noon — Vice chancellor for Student Affairs, room 203
- Noon — President's office, room 242-243
- 3 p.m. — Housing office, auditorium
- 3:30 p.m. — Student Activities Program Task Force, room 210
- 4 p.m. — Young Republicans, reception for Senator Douglas Bereuter, room 242
- 4 p.m. — Chi Epsilon Initiation, room 202
- 4 p.m. — Panhellenic Interfraternity Council public relations, room 202A
- 4 p.m. — Council of American Indian Students, room 343

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