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Wednesday, mostly sunny and warmer, high 50-55 with winds from the S at 10-20 mph. Wednesday night, fair, low in the low 30s. Thursday, mostly sunny and mild, high around 60.

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Despite Chambers' opposition, sport-agent bill advances

By Victoria Ayotte Senior Editor

he Nebraska Legislature Tuesday advanced a bill to regulate sports agents in Nebraska despite the efforts of Sen. Ernie Chambers of Omaha.

Chambers attempted Monday to kill and amend the bill and led oppo-

sition Tuesday.

The bill's sponsor, Sen. James
McFarland of Lincoln, opened debate Tuesday by motioning to sus-pend the rules, which would stop further amendments and debate on the bill.

McFarland said the numerous amendments to be offered on the bill should have been debated in committee. He urged the Legislature to advance the bill to select file and debate the bill further when it comes up

McFarland's motion met with sarcasm from Chambers.

"I want to see you run head long down this path of foolishness," Chambers said, urging legislators to advance the bill.

Chambers said the bill needs to be amended because it may be unconstitutional.

The bill would require agents to register with the secretary of state and submit a fee schedule of what they would charge athletes. One section of the bill, which was later removed, stated that violation of the act would be a Class III misdemeanor.

Chambers said the bill has too much "vagueness and uncertainty" to make violation a criminal act.

Another problem with the bill, Chambers said, is that it does not define certain terms, such as "athlete" or "contact." Contact from an agent to a student athlete could mean that a mere phone call or letter would violate the act and be criminal, he

McFarland responded that the bill does not refer to a telephone call or

letter, but to personal contact.

The basic fact, McFarland said, is that the bill would protect athletes.

"There's a lot of heat that's been generated on this bill and little light," McFarland said.

Sen. Elroy Hefner of Coleridge agreed with McFarland.

"I feel this is a good bill," Hefner said. "We have some unscrupulous agents acting and they're taking ad-

vantage of our young athletes."

McFarland's attempt to suspend the rules failed to receive the needed

As debate on the bill continued, Chambers withdrew all of his proposed amendments.

does need to be amended, because putting-criminal statutes into the bill "crazy."

Chambers said he personally would like to become an agent so he could challenge the bill.

The secretary of state, who is to enforce the bill, and the university could "make up crimes" agents have committed, he said, since language in to advance the bill 25-7.

McFarland said the bill apparently has a problem in that area, which led Sen. John Lindsay of Omaha to propose an amendment to delete the section that makes violation of the bill a criminal act.

Instead, violation of the act would be punishable under civil law and athletes could sue for damages.

McFarland was reluctant to sup-However, he said he feels the bill port deleting the criminal section of the bill. He said the section was in it originally so that the county attorney would be authorized to prosecute athletes if the athletes were reluctant to file civil proceedings. Athletes might be reluctant if they did not desire the publicity of such a case, he

ASUN senator feels students should have total control of fees

By Ryan Steeves

student leader at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln wants students to have total control over student fees.

Brian Svoboda, senator of the Association of Students of the University of Nebraska, said he plans to introduce a resolution to ASUN tonight that gives total control of student fee allocations to the student representatives.

The resolution encourages the NU Board of Regents to change its policy that requires administrative review of such allocations.

"We (students) would have total discretionary power over student fees," said Svoboda, a student in the College of Arts and Sciences.

UNL students pay student fees to finance student services and facilities, Svoboda said. Thus, student representatives should have the right to control allocation of those fees without administrative influence, he said.

Under the current policy, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs James Griesen and Chancellor Martin Massengale review, and can modify, Fund A and Fund B student fees. The regents also review Fund B fees, but not Fund

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'Alternatives'

Students play the COLAGE - UPC sponsored 'Alternatives' board game Tuesday in the Nebraka Union. The game is designed to promote understanding of what gay/lesbian people deal with in situations faced by gay/lesbian people in social, political, spiritual, physical, intellectual and emotional contexts.

NL professors say women's rights fight has battles left

By Larry Peirce

Ithough the women's rights movement has accomplished some of its goals, three University of Nebraska-Lincoln professors said the battle for equality of the

sexes is far from won.

Susan Welch, a UNL political science professor, said the women's

in some ways," she said.

The percentage of women to men in professional schools such as law and medical college has increased from 5 percent in 1970 to about 30 percent now, she said.

A large increase in enrollment at the College of Business Administration is largely because more women choices," and shouldn't be locked into stereotypical roles.

"There has been a lot of progress"

"There has been mostly about the College of Business Administration is largely because more women are entering the college. The number of men at CBA has stayed the same, Welch said.

Women's progress is visible in the in upper-level administration at difficulty breaking into the ranks of said, but was not made in the '50s. increase of women who are entering UNL, she said. Only one woman has the United States' Congress, the ics, is a dean.



However, she said, for every con

There is still a shortage of women there is a pro. While women have had tures has increased from about five percent in 1972 to about 16 percent

> Welch said that with social movements such as the women's movement, there are active periods followed by periods of consolidation. The 1970s is not the only decade in which women made progress, she said. At times, she said, such movements stand still or even move back

Progress was made in the '30s, she

There were more women faculty professions that were once closed to them, Welch said.

been a vice chancellor since 1970 and only one, the head of home economials have been a vice chancellor since 1970 and number of women in state legislamembers at the University of Netures has increased from about five braska in 1930 than there were in braska in 1930 than there were in 1950, she said.

Things do take time to change, she said. More women are nearing the higher levels of the teaching profession at UNL because UNL began hiring more women in the '70s.

Not all women joined the movement, she said. Some resisted because they held the traditional view

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hike probable : 5 percent tuition

By David G. Young Staff Reporter

uition will likely increase by 5 percent for the next two years if the guidelines of a budget plan proposed by the NU Board of Regents is not changed drastically, said Randy Haack, NU director of budget and analysis.

If the increase is passed by the regents in June, tuition for UNL's 1989-90 academic year would increase to \$47.51 per credit hour for residents and to \$49.89 the following

The proposed tuition increase would generate an additional \$2 million of revenue for the University of

Nebraska-Lincoln, the University of Nebraska at Omaha and the University of Nebraska Medical Center. The money would help cover a \$61.9 million increase in the university's

Two-thirds of the \$61.9 million increase would go to pay raises for faculty members at the universities, including a 12.67 percent increase to faculty members at UNL. The remaining third would go to support inflationary expenses, as well as library acquisitions, Haack said.

Robert Diffendal, president of the UNL Faculty Senate, said the majority of UNL's budgetary increases are part of a three-year plan to boost faculty salaries.

"I've been assured by members of the central administration that since UNL is farthest behind its peer institutions that we would get a proportionally larger share of the faculty increases (of the three campuses),

The 1989-90 budgetary plan calls for an increase in state support of \$30.6 million and \$34.3 million in the 1990-91 academic year for the University of Nebraska. This year, the state universities received \$196.6 million from the Nebraska Legisla-

Gov. Kay Orr, however, has proposed increasing state support by

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