

# ASA releases tuition proposal

Suggested increase of \$900 for in-state and \$1,450 for out-of-state much larger than in past years

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Student lobbyists proposed a \$900 increase in resident undergraduate tuition and a \$1,450 increase for non-resident undergraduates yesterday.

While the numbers are far higher than their proposals in past years, the \$900 hike for in-state students is \$100 less than President Pete Likins proposed last week. However, the lobbyists' proposal calls for an out-of-state increase \$200 higher than Likins proposed.

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Under the lobbyists' plan, the UA stands to gain \$24.1 million from undergraduates, a number comparable to what it would make under Likins' plan. But Student Body President Doug Hartz, who heads the UA's delegation of student lobbyists, said their plan sets aside about \$770,000 more for financial aid than Likins' proposal while returning the same amount to the university for other purposes.

"The priority is to address need and we're better able to do that under this proposal than under the president's," Hartz said

Likins said last week that ensuring access for needy students was a top priority if tuition was to be raised, and has repeatedly emphasized coupling a tuition hike with a financial aid increase.

The lobbyists' proposal marks

a drastic change in the traditional student lobbyist stance, which typically called for small tuition increases, if any. Last year, they proposed a 0 percent hike.

But with the university facing continued funding cuts from the Arizona State Legislature, regents and many students began to realize raising tuition was becoming a necessity.

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ASU microbiology junior Ana Sanchez attempts to leap from the top of a telephone pole and grab a trapeze bar on Saturday afternoon. Leaders of the Greek community were using the high ropes course

## Likins upsets lawmakers in budget talks

#### **By Cyndy Cole** LEGISLATIVE CORRESPONDENT

PHOENIX - President Pete Likins riled members of the Committee House on Appropriations yesterday by calling legislators' proposed cuts to the university bad policy and saying they amounted to a tax increase for students.

He used some of the strongest language toward the Legislature about the budget in his more than five years as president, leading some lawmakers to respond that they aren't out to harm the universities per se, as the state looks for places to cut \$1.3 billion.

This body has been cutting our university budgets while telling the voters that their need for quality education will somehow be met and somehow Arizona will develop a high-tech my with good jobs,

"This state should have invested in the universities in the prosperous 90s, when other states were doing so. We should be investing now, rather than cutting university budgets."

"We inherited this problem. The finger pointing isn't necessary," said House Appropriations Chairman Russell K. Pearce, (R-Mesa). "The lowest tuition in the nation has been in your hands."

The Arizona Board of Regents, not Likins, sets tuition.

"We are not the enemy," said Rep. Bill Konopnicki, (R-Safford).

Republican lawmakers in control of the Joint Legislative Budget Committee have proposed cutting \$15.8 million from the UA budget before July 1 and \$3.6 million more in July. This does not include an estimated \$10.1 million in employee healthcare and

read from a statement he pre-

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### Drivers may need to register for selective service

Bill could require men System when they pick up a new getting a license to register for the draft

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Going to the Motor Vehicle Division to get a driver license could soon entail more than just parallel parking.

A proposal still in the state House yesterday afternoon would automatically register males for the Selective Service

license or identification card.

The proposal, which is similar to laws used in 26 other states, is designed to raise the sagging numbers of 18-yearolds in Arizona who haven't yet registered, said Victor Schwanbeck, head of Selective Service for Arizona.

A federal law already requires men to register within 30 days after their 18th birthday, but Schwanbeck said 38 percent of 18-year-olds in Arizona have yet to do so, and as they get older, those percentages reach the mid-80s.

Penalties for not registering won't become noticeable until age 26. Then, unregistered men will be barred from federal and state government aid, which includes grants to pay for school, Schwanbeck said.

While the proposal was primarily designed to get more young teenagers to register, a secondary effect would be getting more college-aged males to register when they take up residency.

Even immigrants who have attained green cards must

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