Students Leave Classes to Rally Against Budget

By MARIA NEWMAN

Thousands of university and high school students, accompanied by professors and teachers, walked out of their classrooms yesterday to protest proposed budget cuts in money for education proposed in the city and state budgets. Sixteen people were hurt and 60 arrested.

Public Hospitals Chief Quits, Opposing Giuliani Over Cuts

By ESTHER B. FEIN

The chairman of New York City's Health and Hospitals Corporation resigned unexpectedly yesterday, saying he could not support the deep Medicaid cuts that Mayor Rudolph W. Giuliani and Gov. George E. Pataki are seeking.

The chairman, Luis A. Miranda Jr., resigned minutes before the 16-member board of directors was to vote on the cuts. He said that he could not accept the mayor's budget, which includes $1 billion in Medicaid cuts.

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SMUT BAN BACKED FOR COMPUTER NET

Vote by Senate Panel Opens Battle Over Free Speech on Electronic Frontier

By EDMUND L. ANDREWS

WASHINGTON, March 23 - In a vote that moves the battle over pornography and free speech onto the electronic frontier, the Senate Commerce Committee approved a proposed today to ban smut in cyberspace.

The measure, attached without controversy to the nation's communications law, would allow fines as high as $100,000 and prison terms up to two years on anyone who transmits material that is "obscene, lewd, lascivious, filthy or indecent."

What the proposal will have to pass many more legislative hurdles to become law, its warm reception in the committee suggests that it has momentum - despite vigorous opposition from Internet users and skepticism among experts that anyone can govern the sprawling and largely anarchistic array of interconnected networks.

The committee approved the entire communications bill today by a vote of 17 to 2. [Page D7]

No one disputes that sex is abundant on the Internet, where magazines such as Playboy offer nude pictures at no cost and electronic bulletin boards share information on a wide variety of practices, from masochism to pedophilia.

Here are the highlights of each version of the line-item veto bill. The House passed its version last month.

THE SENATE VERSION

- Each spending item in a bill would be sent to the President separately.
- President could veto an item within 20 working days.
- President could veto certain narrow tax cuts.
- Veto could be overturned by a two-thirds vote in each house.

THE HOUSE VERSION

- President must rescind spending items already approved within 10 days.
- These cancellations would take effect unless disapproved by a majority of Congress within 20 days.
- President could veto any disapprovals.
- Veto could be overturned by a two-thirds vote in each house.

VOTE IS 69 TO 29

Plan Gives Vast Control of Federal Purse to Executive Branch

By JERRY GRAY

WASHINGTON, March 23 - With wide bipartisan support, the Senate today voted to give the President unprecedented control of the Federal purse - the power to veto specific items in spending bills and some future tax benefits.

The Senate passed the bill, on a vote of 69 to 29, nearly eight weeks after the House had approved a different version of the line-item veto.

A central piece of the Republican agenda, the veto is being pushed as a budget-cutting tool. Before the bill can be sent to President Clinton, who has said he will sign it, differences between the Senate and the House versions must be resolved by a conference committee.

Fifty of the Senate's 54 Republicans voted for the line-item veto; they were joined by 19 Democrats, including Senate Tom Daschle of South Dakota, the minority leader.

Two Republican Senators, Mark O. Hatfield of Oregon and James M. Jeffords of Vermont, voted against the legislation. Senator Hatfield had also broken party ranks in voting against the balanced-budget amendment.

Absent from the vote were two other Republican Senators: Phil Gramm of Texas and Ted Stevens of Alaska. Since Mr. Gramm is a rival candidate for the Republican nomination for President, he was not bothered by his vote's possible effect on his own re-election chances.
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cuts, school officials said. Not all of them made it to the City Hall rally, however, which was
organized by the teachers union...of the New Jersey...Bradley voted in favor of the bill and
Frank A. Lautenberg voted against it. Chairman Richard Dodd, a
Connecticut Democrat, voted against the measure, while his Democratic
cochairman...in favor.

With New Fly, Science Outdoes Hollywood

By Nata l ie Angier

Flies with additional eyes have become scientific fact.

Though the work was done with fruit flies, which are genetically
simple and amenable to manipulation, the eye gene in the fly turns out to be
similar to a gene identified in mammals, including humans, indicating
that the equivalent gene in human embryos may direct the
creation of the paired windows to the top of the eye.

The gene used in the fly experiments is called eyec1, because the absence of the gene results in flies with no eyes at all.

Let us consider the drug that could shake the world. Several hundred families have turned to Mr. Ito's legal team in
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