### STATE CAPSULES

## TAX CUT UNVEILED

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Gov. John Engler was scheduled to unveil plans in Lansing
for a new tax cut this week.

The cut, if enacted by the Legislature, would count at the 26th
cut adopted under the Engler
administration. The last was a
trimming of the income tax rate
from 4.4 percent to 3.9 percent
earlier this year. That cut is to
be phased in over the next five
years. years. Nonetheless, House and Sen-

ate fiscal agencies have been predicting rises in Michigan tax revenues due to the state's

revenues due to the state's strong economy.
A Senate Fiscal Agency analysis recently concluded that revenues would be \$717 million over estimates drawn just last January. Even with the previous tax cuts, the analysis had concluded revenues would still be up \$463 million over January estimates.

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enforcement by police of Michigan's mandatory sofety belt law.

"Make no mistake, safety belt
use is the best defense vehicle
occupants heve to prevent death
or serious injury." Englor said.

"We know this bill will save
lives.
Currently, safety belt usage in
Michigan is at 70 percent. Under
Senate Bill 335, which goes into
effect during the spring of next
year, usage is expected to
improve by 10 to 15 percent.
Sponsored by State Sen. Bill
Bullard (R-Highland) the bill
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allows for enforcement of Michigan's seatbolt law as a standard'
or primary — action. The
enforcement of the safety belt
law has been limited as a secondary action, when a driver has
been detained for some other
traffic violation.

SB 335 requires:

estimates.

SEATBELT BILL SIGNED

Gov. Engler has signed legislation allowing for primary

E The driver and all passengers in the front seat must wear seathelt.

E All children under age 4 must be in a child restraint seat.

Violators get a civil infrac-

tion, but no points will be assessed.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration estimates that primary onforement of Michigan's safety belt law will save 100 lives and prevent 3,000 serious injuries per year.

LIVINGSTON GROUP ON WEB SITE

The Livingston County Human Services Collaborative Body is among the first local groups to be featured on the state's new human services well site, Putting It Together With Michigan Families, and the state's new human services well services Collaborative Body is among the first local groups to be featured on the state's new human services well services with Michigan Families, and the beat level. The PIT Grew represents the directors of the Samulies at the local level. The PIT Grew represents the directors of the Family Independent of the Childron's Trust Fund, Michigan Department of Community Body, an interagency group dedicated to providing family support, provention and family preservation services, is featured because of its services for children and families. It has been recognized by the state and the first providing family apport, prayent of the foliators of the Childron's Trust Fund, Michigan Department of Consumer and Industry Services Collaborative Body, an interagency group dedicated to providing family support, provention and family preservation services, is featured because of its services for children's Consumer and Industry Services, Department of Transportation, Office of Services to the providing family support, provention for its innovative approach to providing family support, provention and families. It has been recognized by the state and the support of the Childron's Consumer and Industry Services, Department of Transportation, Office of Services to the providing family support, provention and providing family support, provention and family support, provention and family support and family suppor

# Invited

## Preview grants

The public is invited to the Oakland Schools headquerters 6-8 p.m. Thursday, June 10, to preview the the first Oakland Schools Equity and Excellence challenge grants. Nearly \$5 million in grants was awarded to local school districts by Oakland Schools last October to promote school restructuring initiatives that addressed special needs of students, career preparation and the use of technology in education. Our coonomized operations and responsible fiscal stewardship have given the Oakland Schools Board the opportunity to further promote equity and excellence in education to Oakland County students, said Jim Redmond. Oakland Schools was able to award a total of \$2.989,612 to all 28 local school districts and seven charter schools.

Funded projects runge frum a new alternative middle school to a computer network; ing curriculum to sound field amplification installation to technology-enhanced billing gual communication to choice, theory instruction to Readings Recovery sharing to interactive vides and more.

Proposals were read by Ooklond Schools staff and Education Advisory Groups members from Beaumont! Hospital, Consumers Powers Kelly Services, and New Horizton (non-profit rehabilitation agency that provides works force development services for the physically and mentally impaired).

ESVP to Sandra Lee, Project Manager, at 248.209.2406.

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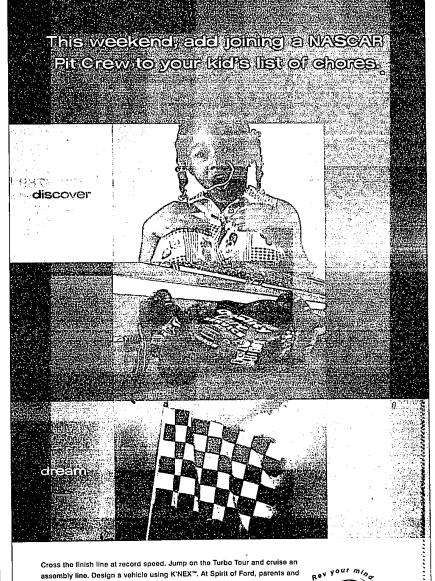
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