

Senate says no to export grants

Here's how area senators and House members were recorded on recent floor votes.

roll call report

SENATE
Export Trading Companies: The Senate prevented, 68-25, the spending of \$2 million over three years in Commerce Department grants to help small companies hire specialists to spur their overseas sales. A company would have used the federal grant to pay one-half (up to \$40,000) the first-year cost of hiring an export manager.

The amendment was superfluous because it asked senators to reaffirm what already is law — gradual removal of gas controls through 1985. And it was not germane to the export legislation under debate (#734, see preceding votes).

A sponsor of tabling the amendment, John Heinz, R-Pa., said it had no place in the ongoing debate and that "as a practical matter (it) does nothing that is not already the law of the land."

Opponent J. J. Eron, R-Neb., said the American Gas Association has "concluded that immediate decontrol would double residential heating bills from an average of \$494 per home in 1981 to \$897 in 1982."

Senators voting "nay" wanted to restate opposition to immediate decontrol even while conceding their votes were legislatively toothless.

Levin and Riegle voted "nay."

Sponsor William Armstrong, R-Colo., said the hiring of export managers by companies "is a proper business function, not a proper function of government."

Opponent Donald Riegle, D-Mich., called the \$2 million "an absolutely modest amount" having high leverage "in terms of opening up export markets, reducing our balance-of-payments deficit, and creating jobs in the U.S."

Senators voting "nay" wanted to spend federal grants to help small companies hire export managers.

Michigan's other Democrat, Carl Levin, and Riegle voted "nay."

CPR to be taught free at Silverdome

"CPR Day: Project Life 1981" will be held on May 14 at the Pontiac Silverdome. The public may learn emergency CPR or cardiopulmonary resuscitation in a free, three-hour course.

Classes will start every 15 minutes from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. More than 250 instructors and 225 mannikins will be available. Free parking is provided.

CPR is a lifesaving technique which provides artificial circulation and breathing to a person whose heart and lungs have stopped functioning because of a heart attack, shock, drowning or other causes.

CPR Day is made possible by a grant from the Comprehensive Health Planning Council of Southeastern Michigan in cooperation with Oakland County Community College, Oakland EMS, Michigan Heart Association and the American Red Cross.

Self-hypnosis course offered

Schoolcraft College will offer a new eight-week course entitled "Self-Hypnosis: Take Charge of Your Life," beginning Thursday, May 14.

Offered through continuing education, the course will be taught by professional hypnotist Bert Freeman. It is designed to teach self-hypnosis as a tool for improving mental and physical health.

Substituting Export Companies: By a vote of 55-38, the Senate tabled an attempt to authorize \$25 million over five years to help newly formed export trading companies sell their products in foreign markets.

Tabling of the \$25 million outlay (a compromise figure down from the originally proposed \$50 million) means that the export trading companies will be their own financially and not subsidized by federal agencies such as the Economic Development Administration and Small Business Administration.

Sen. William Armstrong, R-Colo., a supporter of eliminating the \$25-million authorization, said the money was "welfare for exporters" and that "as one who has voted . . . to curb the growth of welfare in this country, I personally am not about to vote to pay for this kind of program."

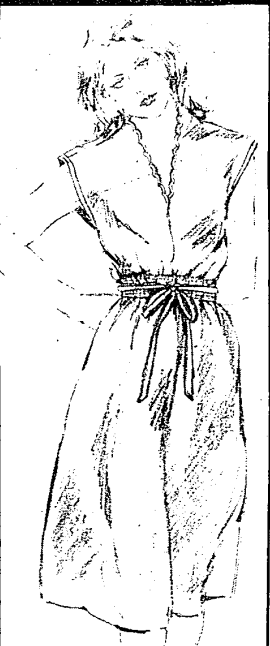
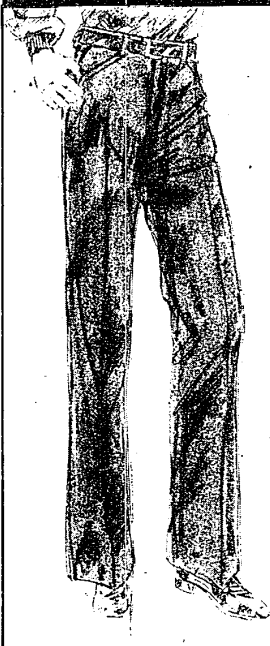
Sen. John Heinz, R-Pa., disagreed, saying that while he acknowledges "that budget priorities are changing" the \$25 million expenditure should be approved "in the spirit of compromise."

Senators voting "nay" favored spending the \$25 million to help newly formed export trading companies get into operation.

Levin and Riegle voted "nay."

Natural Gas: The Senate tabled, 66-27, an amendment stating Senate support of phased-in rather than immediate lifting of federal controls on natural gas prices. The administration signals it may ask Congress to enact legislation immediately decontrolling natural gas prices.

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