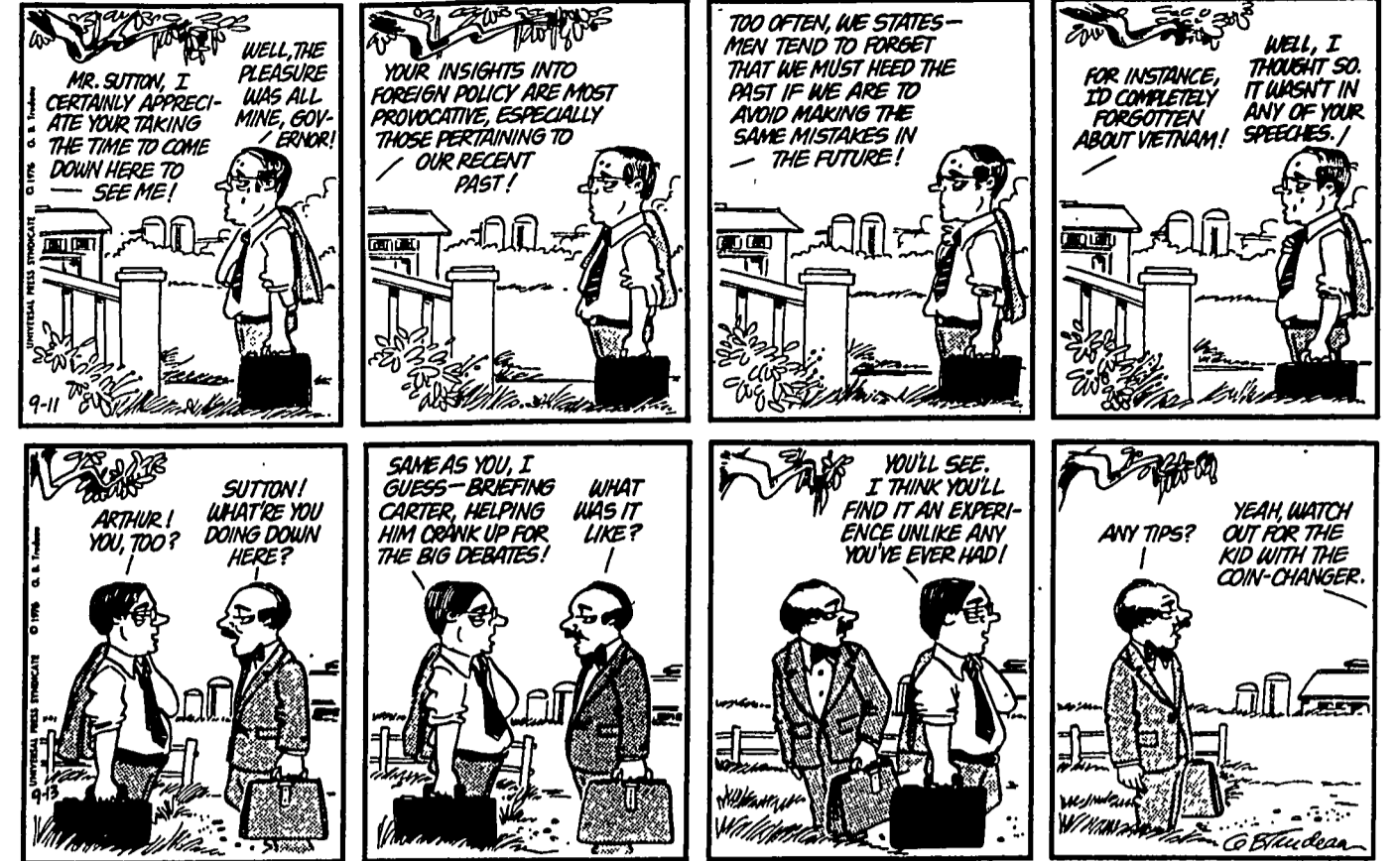


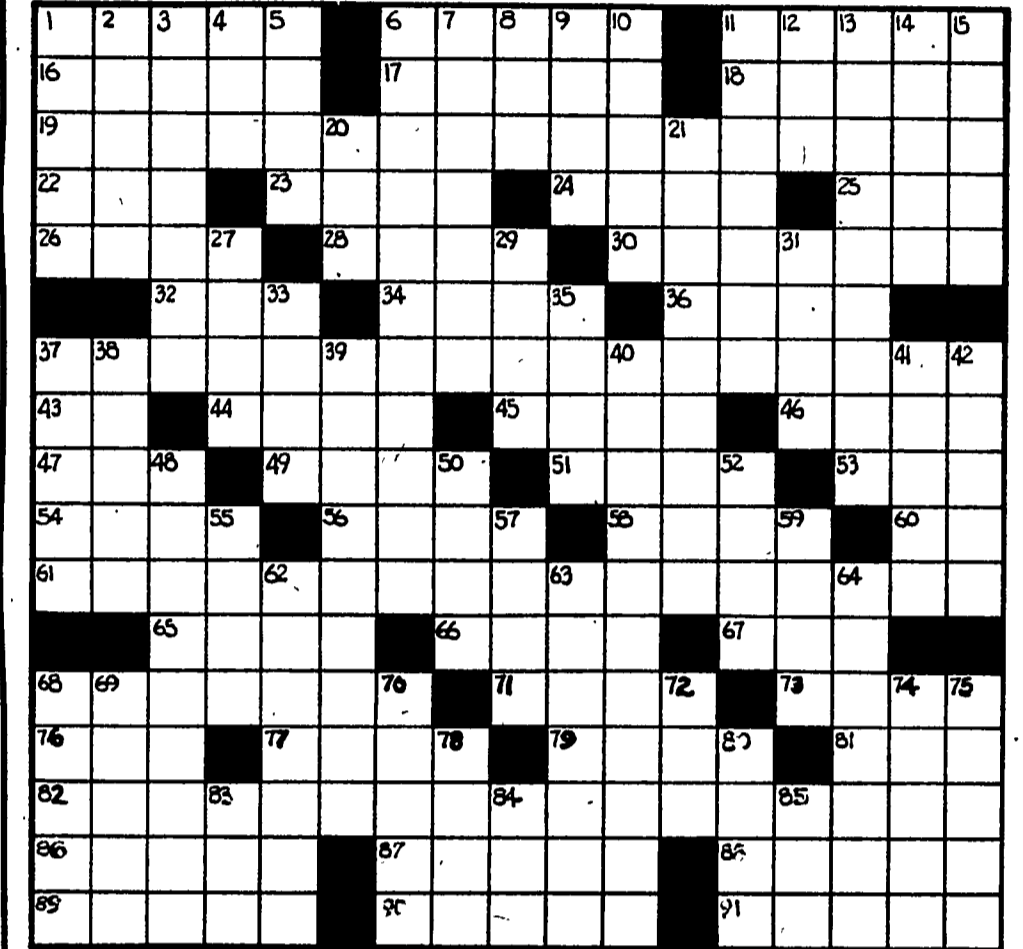
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- DOWN
- 1 Girl's apparel
 - 2 Type of tube
 - 3 Mary Tyler Moore's monogram, Greek-style
 - 4 Shakespeare's Moor of Venice: abbr
 - 5 Requirement
 - 6 Glass-walled buildings
 - 7 Having longer limbs
 - 8 "... recall..."
 - 9 Hawaiian goose
 - 10 Leave an impression
 - 11 Certain woven hats
 - 12 South American nation: abbr
 - 13 No and not
 - 14 "A traitor... midst"
 - 15 Framework: variant
 - 16 Golden Gate and others: abbr
 - 17 Flooded
 - 18 Classify
 - 19 -- bargaining
 - 20 Egyptian precious alloy
 - 21 Tennis' Arthur
 - 22 Whitish limestone
 - 23 Armada
 - 24 Cooperation in fraud
 - 25 Naïf
 - 26 T. S. or George
 - 27 Word with Dakota or Pole
 - 28 What "grenouilles" means on a menu
 - 29 Dill herb
 - 30 Church part
 - 31 Fired
 - 32 Stomach
 - 33 Competent
 - 34 Obscurity
 - 35 Type of illusion
 - 36 Unconventional
 - 37 Singer Lou
 - 38 Early satellite
 - 39 Prefix for paraffin or glycerin
 - 40 Fathers: Arabic
 - 41 Molar
 - 42 Couches
 - 43 Current: prefix
 - 44 Blunders
 - 45 Norse goblin
 - 46 Earth: German
 - 47 "Sprechen -- Deutsch?"

- ACROSS
- 1 Garfunkel's partner
 - 2 Pituitary, for one
 - 3 Sudden terror
 - 4 Rockne, for one
 - 5 View again
 - 6 Sporting place
 - 7 Biblical starter
 - 8 Turmeric
 - 9 Sediment
 - 10 Sicilian volcano
 - 11 Gold: prefix
 - 12 Harry S. and Margaret: abbr
 - 13 Trim hair
 - 14 Indonesian island
 - 15 Extinct bird
 - 16 Pilot's place
 - 17 Nose: prefix
 - 18 Starter for Lincoln
 - 19 Part of the outfield: abbr
 - 20 Archaic pronoun
 - 21 Greek civic goddess
 - 22 Type of drama
 - 23 Spite
 - 24 "Born Free" lioness
 - 25 Changed: prefix
 - 26 Knight's title
 - 27 Otologist's concern
 - 28 Forty-day fast
 - 29 Dutch East Indies measure
 - 30 Bible part: abbr
 - 31 "Romeo and Juliet" starter
 - 32 Republicans, for short
 - 33 Cassette content
 - 34 See 47 Across
 - 35 Color again, as furniture
 - 36 "... long way to Tipperary"
 - 37 Salamanders
 - 38 Like the magnetic equator: abbr
 - 39 Coconut-husk fiber
 - 40 "Let...": Beatles song
 - 41 Halloween word
 - 42 July 4, 1776, starter
 - 43 What a ship captain should do with information
 - 44 Showed again
 - 45 Larlat
 - 46 Coward: slang
 - 47 A large number, usually plural
 - 48 Belonging to Adam's son

(answers to puzzle on page 15)

State lawmakers return; will take up lobbying bill

HARRISBURG (AP) — Leaders of both chambers of the legislature are boosting three measures to curb the power of special interest groups.

When the legislature returns next week from its summer vacation, these proposals will be among those drawing most interest.

—A bill to tighten controls on lobbying, including a provision to extend controls to lobbyists who try to influence the executive branch or the Public Utility Commission (PUC).

—Two bills aimed at making the PUC more consumer oriented. They would eliminate retroactive rate hikes for utilities, put stricter controls on fuel adjustment charges and establish a code of ethics for PUC members.

—A bill making it easier for the governor to appoint important state officials. The Senate now must confirm most top appointments by a two-thirds vote. The bill would make it a simple majority. In the past, powerful groups have blocked some appointments, including consumer advocates named to the Agriculture Department or the PUC.

All three measures are in House Senate conference committees to work out differences.

"The lobbyist bill is very important. It's my legislation and I'd like to see it come to fruition," said House Speaker Herbert Fineman.

Fineman, House Majority Leader K. Leroy Irvis and Senate Majority Leader Thomas Nolan are all pushing for the conference committees to report out the legislation.

"Fineman and Irvis want that bill on the calendar and they want to pass it," a House staff member said of the lobbyist bill.

Lobbyists are presently required to register and not much else, and then only when their activities involve the legislative branch.

The proposed law would apply to lobbyists who operate with the legislature, the executive branch or with state regulatory agencies, and would make them file reports on expenditures.

It also would prohibit contingency fees — money paid to a lobbyist on the basis of his or her success in having a particular bill passed or defeated.

Fineman was also pushing the two bills that change the PUC's way of doing things.

In addition to making things tougher for utilities seeking rate hikes, the legislation requires that PUC members be fulltime, increases their salaries and beefs up the PUC staff.

"I would certainly think they would move prior to election. They are attractive consumer bills," Fineman said of the PUC measures.

There may be trouble, however, with a bill changing requirements for Senate confirmation of gubernatorial appointments.

Many senators want to retain the two-thirds requirement for many appointments, including those to the PUC and the Liquor Control Board.

The House passed its version in late June, just before the summer recess, and the bill was sent to a conference committee two days later. If a compromise version emerges by next week, its future is cloudy in the Senate, but not in the House.

One top House staffer was asked if the confirmation bill will sail through.

"Yeah, in the House. I can guarantee it," he said.

Neither the House nor Senate plans to spend a lot of time in the coming session. They will probably be at work for two weeks and then break for political campaigning.

Half the Senate and all of the House seats are up for grabs on Nov. 2. The lawmakers are likely to return for another brief session later in November.

Other major pieces of legislation they hope to handle include:

—An ethics bill. Passed by the House in June, it is being pushed in the Senate by Nolan. It requires each lawmaker to file a yearly financial statement and prevents legislators who are lawyers from representing clients before most state boards.

—Landlord-tenant. Two bills, one in the House and one in the Senate, protect renters. The one in the Senate bans unjust retaliatory actions by landlords. The House bill was defeated in June but could still be voted on again.

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