

Financial disclosure stalled for six months

HARRISBURG (AP) — Faced with an Ethics Commission that is still ironing out its problems, the Pennsylvania Legislature acted yesterday to delay for six months requirements that candidates file financial disclosure.

A bill permitting the delay passed the House 174-24, then was approved by the Senate Local Government Committee and put in position for a Senate vote next week. It is expected to pass.

Last month, the Ethics Commission, which must process the financial statements, said it lacked a staff, a budget and even a mailing address, and it urged the Legislature to enact a postponement.

Under the bill passed by the House, all candidates would have to disclose the sources of their income before they run in the November general elections. The law does not require disclosures from incumbents until 1981.

Several House members said in floor speeches that they want to change the Ethics Act to exempt some local government officials. They withheld their amendments so

that a floor fight would not block the delay legislation.

"Everyone will have a shot at this at a later date," Majority Leader Matthew Ryan, R-Delaware, promised the House members.

If the Senate also approves a delay in the financial disclosures, the other provisions in the Ethics Act will remain in effect. The law, for example, includes prohibitions against conflicts of interest for public to pass.

Area officials support extension

The state House needs "more time to do its homework" on the recently passed ethics bill, State College Mayor Arnold Addison said, approving of the House's decision to delay implementation of the Act 170 by six months.

Addison said the bill was hastily conceived and consequently included several vague parts that need to be worked out.

"Too many things were not completed when the law was passed," he said. "Hopefully these areas will now

officials.

During the brief floor debate on the delay legislation, a few legislators said they would fight any attempts to change the code to exclude local government officials.

Noting that over 270 public officials have been indicted since 1970, Rep. Joseph Zeller, D-Lehigh, added, "70 percent of them were local officials."

"Some people who were very

forceful before the election about voting for ethics legislation, now are ... yelling about how bad it is and how we must protect local officials," Zeller said.

Rep. Ron Gamble, D-Allegheny, protested Zeller's use of the indictment figures, saying, "They're unfair. There are 53,000 local officials, and there were only 253 arrests."

forced in a fashionable manner."

Fred Hoffman, State College Area School Board member, said he supports the extension, but for a different reason.

"I am hopeful the House will decide to exclude school board members," Hoffman said. "Anybody who doesn't receive any pay shouldn't be included."

State College Area School Board President Duane J. Doty refused to comment.

—by Paul Sunyak

Sunrise officially closes

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Sunrise Day Care Center is officially closed, despite the efforts of parents of children enrolled there to keep it open, but the controversy surrounding the closing continues.

Sunrise, which was located on campus in Cedar Building, was forced to close because it was unable to obtain a license from the state Department of Public Welfare. The Child Development Council of Centre County, which operated Sunrise, said it could not afford the necessary renovations to the center's kitchen that might have kept it open.

The parents worked diligently for the past month to find an alternative to closing the center and now feel "frustrated by the lack of cooperation (from the board) in keeping Sunrise open," according to a letter they gave to the board at its meeting last night.

At that meeting, Carol Cartwright, president of the board, said the board believes the council "acted in good faith" concerning the decision to close Sunrise.

In the letter to the board, signed by 35 parents of the 37 children enrolled in Sunrise, Cartwright's resignation from the board was requested. Mary Jo Cornish, council administrator, was also asked to resign from her position, or that it be terminated as of June 30, 1979. The board did not discuss the letter and moved on to other business.

The letter outlined the series of events that led up to the closing of Sunrise, which the parents said they feel were deceptive. According to the letter, what the board did was a contradiction of what it said. Cartwright's only reply to the letter was that it was inaccurate in many instances. She refused to comment further.

The parents singled out Cornish and Cartwright because they said the board was kept relatively uninformed about some important information.

Cornish wrote a letter to Hermanowicz on Jan. 11, stating that Sunrise would be vacating Cedar Building on or before Feb. 15. Only Cartwright received a copy of the letter and one board member, William Butler, was told of the letter.

Graduate teaching to be evaluated by association

A survey to evaluate graduate student teaching assistants has been initiated by the Graduate Student Association in response to questions concerning the competence of some assistants.

GSA President Dianne Taylor said "We're looking for an overview of problems with training TAs and what we can do about them." Survey questions ask the assistant what kind of training he had, whether it was adequate, and whether he had suggestions for improvements.

Survey forms were distributed to delegates at the GSA meeting last night.

Taylor said the survey was being distributed through GSA rather than through the department heads to avoid the assistants fearing recriminations if they had negative

comments. It was also done to prevent students with positive comments from being dismissed as "brownies," she said.

In other events; the Association: —discussed the proposed seating policy change for home football games. Reaction was mixed. One delegate called the proposed system a "hassle"; another said he had experienced a similar system as an undergraduate at another university and liked it.

—announced that nominations were open for next year's officers. Taylor said the officers' jobs were somewhat time-consuming but that the experience gained was valuable. Treasurer Bill Sanders agreed, and also said, "Everyone has a big time commitment, and then you see them at the Phyrst." —by Tom DeMeo

Described as official-unofficial

U.S., Taiwan announce relations

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The United States and Taiwan have agreed to conduct future, unofficial relations through private institutes, but Taiwan will be able to say the new relationship has "an official character," a State Department official said yesterday.

The nuance is important to the Taiwanese, who protested furiously — and unsuccessfully — when President Carter decided to cut off nation to nation relations with them as part of his agreement with Peking.

A State Department official said Congress has been notified that Taiwan has given up its initial resistance and agreed to establish an "Institute of North American Affairs," to match "The American Institute on Taiwan."

Those two agencies, financed by each government but not having government status, will be used for all future dealings between the United States and Taipei.

Taiwan, however, will be allowed to describe its institute as having "an official character," a statement the United States will ignore.

That diplomatic arrangement allows the two sides to resolve their problems and move ahead without agreeing — but without openly disagreeing.

A spokesman at Taiwan's embassy declined to confirm that the arrangement had been reached, and the State Department made no official statement either.

Under the agreement Carter worked out with Peking, the United States and China are to exchange ambassadors on March 1 and that same day, American relations with Taiwan will be downgraded — that is, Taiwan no longer will be recognized as a nation.

China insisted on that provision because it regards Taiwan as part of its own nation.

Congress is angry about aspects of the arrangement, however, and thus the China package Carter submitted to Capitol Hill is running into trouble.

Among those balking is Sen. Ernest Hollings, D-S.C., head of the Senate Appropriations subcommittee that has power over the State Department's budget.

Hollings told Secretary of State Cyrus Vance during a hearing last Thursday that he and other panel members thought the new institute arrangement was a fraud.

The next day, he sent Vance a letter saying the panel had tentatively decided against approving Vance's request to transfer \$2 million from State Department funds to the proposed institute.

Vance warned Hollings during Thursday's hearings that relations between Taiwan and America would be endangered if the institute is not funded. A committee source said the State Department legally could make the transfer without the panel's approval, but it would risk political retribution in doing so.

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