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Senate District 11, Democratic Primary **RUTH MCFARLAND**

McFarland is talented, experienced, articulate—damn it, she's so right for the 11th District's Senate seat that we had to be restrained from grabbing the nearest car and driving her to Salem ourselves.

Talk to her about logging and land use matters. She knows those issues as a timber and farm manager. As a PhD with four degrees in biology, McFarland isn't full of herself, she's just full of facts. She also held the Senate seat in 1980.

McFarland's motto is not environment über Alles but a call for reasonable use of resources. After all, she says, "you can't pass a law to make fish or trees."

And the agricultural piece of that bigger picture requires taking a hard look at state agricultural price supports and more realistic grazing fees for cattle ranchers.

After 28 years as a teacher—18 of them at Mount Hood Community College—McFarland has been on the front line of education issues long before it was politically fashionable. She supports the split-roll property tax to generate additional state revenue and would consider a progressive income tax but says a sales tax is unattractive and politically unfeasible.

As a Metro councilor since 1989, she has served on useful committees on such subjects as water resources, solid waste and intergovernmental relations. As a former state senator

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during the '80s, she chaired the Economic Activities Committee, covering forestry, fisheries and agriculture, and served on several others. She has also served on the Multnomah County Economic Development and the Hanford Advisory commissions.

Marvin Woidyla, McFarland's Democratic contender, has been in politics for a while but on a much smaller playing field. The flight instructor is a retired sergeant in the Multnomah County sheriff's department, is mayor of Fairview and served a six-year term on its city council.

He says he's more conservative than McFarland, and we believe him. We asked if he would support a bill extending equal pro-

tection from housing and employment discrimination to gays and lesbians. "I don't want pedophiles preying on kids in school," Woidyla replied. "Pedophilia is a sexual preference." We overloaded his circuits when we asked why he thought homosexuality was pedophilia and whether only homosexuals were pedophiles. Go back to school, Marvin. You've got a lot of catching up to do.

While Woidyla is educating himself, help make politics a respectable occupation. Vote for McFarland May 19.

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Metro council candidates file financial statements

Ed Washington, a candidate for the Metro Council in District 11, has raised \$700, including \$600 in contributions less than \$50, according to a report filed with the Multnomah County election office this week.

The report said Washington has spent \$1,208. It also showed a beginning balance of \$1,337 left over from a previous election campaign.

Washington's report was filed by the Monday deadline, but with the secretary of state's office, rather than the county elections office. Officials said the mistake was common, and Washington's report will be considered to have been filed on time.

Washington, a retired marketing specialist for U.S. West Communications, was appointed last month to the council position representing Northeast Portland.

Challenger, Joe Ross, a retired Tri-Met driver and mechanic, reported raising \$1,150 and spending \$840.

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