

school materials depicting or advocating homosexuality. The bill died in the senate. Call the Missouri Task Force for Gay and Lesbian Concerns: (800) 576-5128.

MONTANA

In January the state legislature killed a bill to decriminalize gay sodomy.

NEBRASKA

A bill prohibiting antigay discrimination in employment passed the state legislature's Business and Labor committee despite opposition. Action on the bill can continue in January.

NEVADA

In June, Gov. Bob Miller signed a bill repealing the state's gay sodomy law. The bill was opposed by a number of rightwing groups and local churches.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

In June, the Portsmouth City Council defeated a gayrights measure, 54. A citywide referendum on gay rights was defeated in the Nov. 3 election.

NEW MEXICO

In March, the House tabled the state's gayrights bill, which passed the Senate earlier in the year.

NEW YORK

In July Senate Republicans defeated a gayrights bill by blocking it from being admitted to openfloor debate. The bill had already passed the state Assembly. In New York City, city employees were granted full health benefits for domestic partners, after a five year battle with the Lesbian and Gay Teachers Association. The city legalized domestic partnership registration earlier this year.

NORTH CAROLINA

House judiciary committee in April killed a bill that would have decriminalized sodomy. In March, the Raleigh City Council defeated a proposal to ban antigay discrimination in employment.

OHIO

Cincinnati voters approved by a 62%-38% a bill repealing the city's humanrights ordinance (sexual orientation was added to protected statuses last year). Gayrights lawyers won a legal injunction barring the measure from taking effect. In August, Billy Inmon, previously the manager of the Ohio State Fair, announced his candidacy for governor in 1994, running on a platform that "opposes special rights for homosexuals."

OKLAHOMA

Several antigay bills were introduced to the state Legislature in January, including a Coloradostyle bill, but all were killed in committee.

OREGON

In July, the state Legislature voted to overturn a number of local ordinances similar to the statewide Measure 9 that failed in the 1992 election. The state legislation, signed by Gov. Barbara Roberts, is being appealed. The Oregon Citizens Alliance plans another measure for Nov. 1994. On Nov. 8, Oregon City and Keizer became the most recent cities to vote for antigay amendments. NGLTF Fight the Right Project Field Office can be reached at (503) 221-0115.

PENNSYLVANIA

Nov. 6, gay activists and Nazis clashed in a riot in New Hope at what has been called the Nationalist Party's Gaybash '93. About 300 activists showed up to protest the gathering of about 50 neoNazis. Two neoNazis were roughed up by the crowd. Jerry Knight, a state rep, candidate from Erie, lost in the Nov. 1992 election after consistent gaybashing. In York, a petition for the City Council to consider an anti-gay rights amendment failed to get enough signatures.

RHODE ISLAND

In June, the state House defeated a gay civil rights bill which the Senate passed in May. In 1992, the bill passed in the House, but not the Senate.

SOUTH CAROLINA

In April, a House committee added gays, lesbians and bisexuals to a list of convicted criminals who are barred from adopting children. The bill will be introduced to the full House in 1994. A bill to define sodomy as "oral or anal sex" and make it a felony is in committee.

TENNESSEE

Three county commissioners rejected a resolution to ask the state legislature for gay rights. Also, the city denied a parade permit for gay pride day in Chatanooga. The ACLU has filed suit.

TEXAS

In Austin, religious right activists are gearing up to protest the city's newly enacted domestic partners law, Gaynet reported. The House and Senate Conference Committee agreed to keep gay sodomy in the state penal code. The Texas Supreme Court is reviewing lower court decisions that ruled the sodomy laws unconstitutional.

UTAH

The State Board of Education in June banned textbooks portraying homosexuality as a "desirable or healthy lifestyle".

VIRGINIA

In September, a judge gramed custody of the son of a lesbian to his grandmother, declaring the mother "unfit."

WASHINGTON

The Citizens Alliance of Washington has started a Stop Special Rights PAC and is planning an antigay initiative for November, 1994. In April, a bill that would have banned antigay discrimination was killed in Senate committee after being approved by the House.

WEST VIRGINIA

In April, the House killed a bill that would have prohibited antigay discrimination in housing and employment. The bill passed committee, but was heavily opposed by the West Virginia American Family Association.

WYOMING

In July, Mountain West Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance of Laramie announced it would not hold a meeting in Park City, Utah, because Park City is the site of Wintertest '94, a gay ski event for those boycotting Colorado.

States likely to face antigay initiatives in 1994: Arizona, California, Florida, Idaho, Maine, Michigan, Missouri, Montana, Ohio, Oregon, Washington

Safe at Home: States that currently have a sexual orientation clause in their civil rights laws: California, Connecticut, Hawaii, Massachusetts, Minnesota, New Jersey, Vermont, Wisconsin.

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