



Mercedes Lopez, a Central Freight Lines driver had a narrow brush with death Thursday when he hit a low power line in the Culpepper Plaza. Witnesses said the sky lit up as sparks flew in

all directions when the truck hit the line. The accident shut down power for almost two hours both in the shopping center and in the nearby neighborhood area.

## Bush signs 1990 Clean Air Act into law

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush, say-ing every American "deserves to breathe clean air," Thursday signed an extensive overhaul of the nation's anti-pollution law to curb acid rain, urban smog and toxic chemicals.

Susan Merrow, president of the Sierra Club, described the Clean Air Act of 1990 as "a breath of fresh air after a 10-year smog alert."

Bush said the bill, which updates and tightens federal air pollution standards for the first time since 1977, was "simply the most significant air pollution legislation in our nation's history." "This bill means cleaner cars, cleaner power

plants, cleaner factories and cleaner fuels. And it means a cleaner America," Bush said at a packed

White House ceremony. The goal of the legislation is to cut acid rain pollutants by half, sharply reduce urban smog and eliminate most of the toxic chemical emissions from industrial plants by the turn of the century

The cost of adhering to the regulations is expected to be as much as \$25 billion a year.

Environmental groups temporarily put aside their differences with the president on other issues to praise his effort on clean air. But they said

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the effectiveness of the legislation would require aggressive implementation and enforcement by the federal government.

Richard Ayers, chairman of the National Clean Air Coalition, called the legislation "cause for celebration and hope.

But Ruth Caplan, executive director of Environmental Action, said Bush's signature marked only the first step toward cleaning up our air. There are dozens of provisions that must be implemented through regulation.

"While business supports the act's clean air ob-jectives, its costs to American consumers and workers cannot be sugarcoated," said William D. Fay, administrator of the Clean Air Working Group, a coalition of 2,000 businesses and tra associations.

Bush's signature capped a decade-long dex over anti-pollution rules. The legislation was product of 16 months of intensive wrang among administration and congressional ner tiators over myriad technical provisions. The new law requires tougher emission

trols on cars, and requires service stations to cleaner-burning gas. It mandates new equipm in thousands of businesses and factories to ture smog-causing pollutants and toxic the cals

It also requires coal-burning power plants cut in half sulfur dioxide emissions, which an acid rain.

Some of the new requirements will begin to phased in within a few years, but most work fully in place until the end of the decade. So cities with the worst smog problems have as a as 15 to 20 years to meet federal air requi ments

Earlier efforts to revamp the laws had be blocked by strong opposition from economic regional interests and the Reagan administ

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lation for higher education institutions.

Panelists said inaccurate interpretations of campus crime statistics also need to be clarified.

"There are lies, there are damned lies and then there are statistics," panel member Karen T. Rigg said.

Rigg, dean of students at Northeastern University in Massachusetts, said misinterpretations of campus crime statistics contributes to neg-ative perceptions parents and the

"There is a perception that puses are immune from crime, students, administrators, facult staff must all take a part in im ing campus security," he said. Riggs said alcohol abuse also

a big part in campus crime. "In acquaintance rape, usual

or both parties are heavy users of cohol," she said. Slaughter said alchohol abus university-wide problem – not student services problem. He many universities are contrad in their policies when students not have alcohol on campus, but ulty and staff members have h tions on campus where alcohol consumed. Panelist Jim Caswell, vice pro dent for student affairs at Sou Methodist University, said many leges and universities already safety and security program their campuses. Caswell added personal safety also should be a

"Blame It On the Rain" were huge hit singles for the band. At the MTV awards, the boys boasted they were better than El-Farian — who has a new album

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Rob and Fab - never actually

sang on their debut album that sold 7 million copies, the pro-

"The record company never knew that. I never told them anything," said Frank Farian, the German producer who turned a pair of anonymous pretty boys into an international phenomenon. "Later on, after the record was out, there were some people who raised some questions.

The questions were never really answered as the Vanillis won a 1989 Grammy for Best New Artist. Rob Pilatus and Fab Morvan became international stars, lip-syncing their way through television and concert

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was ioi go public with the revelations when the guys told him they wanted to sing on the follow-up to "Girl You Know It's True."

vis or Bob Dylan.

"I said, 'No. I don't go for that." Sure, they have a voice, but that's not really what I want to use on my records," Farian said, describing the encounter that occurred earlier this month.

So the bare-chested vocalists once described by the New York Times as "exotically sexy" really did nothing but look good and lip sync for videos?

'Nothing more," Farian said appearances. through an interpreter during an interview here Wednesday.

contingency plan is important to has a 1,300-day reserve and an esti-eliminate arguments over "who's in mated untapped 81 billion barrels. charge" when a spill happens. "As long as the United States de-

Decision-making by a committee pends on oil, we're going to be im-tends to delay response and increase porting oil," Chabot said. "America doesn't need oil, America needs enthe magnitude of a spill, he said. He also said pipelines from off-

He also said pipelines from off-shore platforms are safer than tank-ers, but some states have regulations reduce the amount of oil transand safety concerns limiting the ported by tankers and pipelines. number of offshore leases.

'By opposing platforms, they're that are virtual energy sieves," he shooting themselves in the foot," said. Chabot said.

"Unfortunately, the public doesn't be improved. see those nuances. They see oil on the shore. If they perceive oil activity as being a threat to the environment, they will vote against it.

He said the United States uses generations ahead, not just months about 21 billion barrels of oil a year, or years, Chabot said. He said the United States uses

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public have about campus security.

Panelist Joseph G. Wehner, director of public safety at Ball State University in Indiana, said reports comparing crime statistics of different campuses also do not take enrollments of universities and colleges into account. He said they only show the total number of incidents.

Wehner also said statistics do not show differences between crime on a particular campus and crime in surrounding communities.

Slaughter said universities and colleges usually have little control over surrounding communities, and many crimes are committed by people not associated with the univer-

Panelist Arthur Sandeen, vice president for student affairs at the University of Florida at Gainesville, said although he applauds the Cam-pus Security Act, the public should be warned this legislation is not going to solve campus crime.

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grams at A&M, but said an attitude of invulnerability still exists among

He said students have an "It can't happen to me" attitude, but everyone is vulnerable to crime unless

crime prevention specialist with UPD, said A&M has taken a pro-active stance on crime, but he said campus security is a shared responsi-

itý. The Campus Crime Awar "We cannot live in a tunnel," and Campus Security Act of 199 Kretzschmar said. "A&M is a community, and we share it with the Bryan and College Station community also.

Panelist Sonny Lyles, assistant general counsel of the Texas A&M University System, said universities and colleges cannot act as students' parents.

job in providing campus security. Lyles said he thinks A&M is doing a ilar in size

sonal responsibility. The teleconference included taped excerpts of Ernest Boyer rector of the Carnegie Foundat reading from a report by the C gie Foundation for the Adv ment of Teaching called "Cam Life: In Search of Community.

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'We live and work in buildings students. He said fuel economy also could

President Bush is scheduled to re-

they take precautions. Panelist Lt. Bert Kretzschmar, a