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The main discussion concerned the date rape drug, Rohypnol, and its effects.

Hostetter said women involved in the night-life scene should be careful and never leave their drinks unattended.

"You shouldn't accept drinks from anyone but the bartender," she said. "You can't trust anyone."

Hostetter urged women to go out in groups for safety.

Lemay said UPD has seized drugs such as Rohypnol in the past.

"Another common drug is liquid ecstasy," she said. "If mixed with alcohol, it could kill you. People think this drug enhances their sexual performance."

An audience member said she knew of a fraternity that once added liquid ecstasy to punch at a party.

The audience had the opportu-

nity to question the panelists about violence against women.

TAMU NOW led the march around campus following the panel discussion.

Participants chanted, "No more rape, no more violence, no more victims, no more silence," and, "Women and men unite, take back the night."

April is National Sexual Assault Awareness Month. NOW sponsors "Take Back the Night" each year all over the country.

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"We're telling the young people across the state that they don't have to do good in high school to go to college," said Corte, who tried unsuccessfully to amend the bill to require universities to automatically admit students who score high on standardized tests.

Morales, who ignited a furor among minority groups when he said the Hopwood ruling must apply to all public universities, called Rangel's measure a good compromise.

"It would really be helpful in terms of addressing the fallout of the 5th Circuit decision," he said. "The bill would be constitutional and would withstand a legal challenge."

Al Kauffman, regional director of the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, which rep-

resents minority interests in lawsuits against the state, also praised the measure.

"It will allow students from all around the state to attend Texas colleges and universities," he said.

The Senate passed a similar bill last week. Rangel's measure still faces final approval by the House before heading to the Senate for consideration.

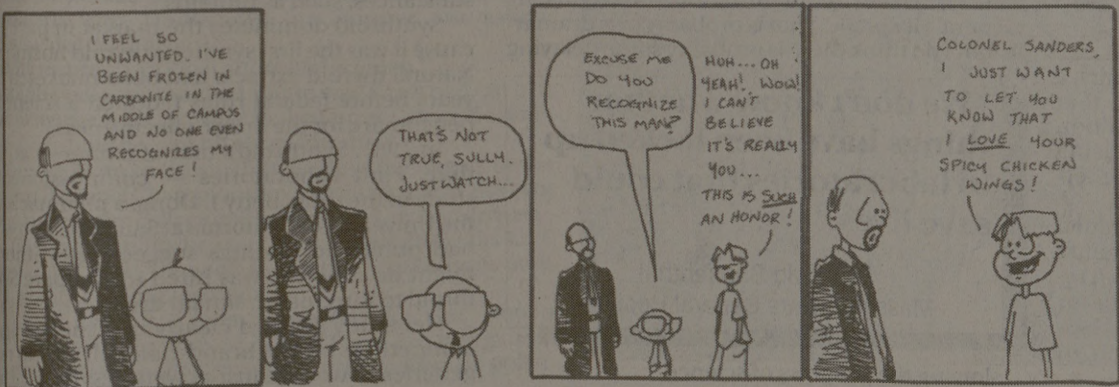
Another bill also attempting to diversify colleges and universities won final House approval.

That measure would require colleges and universities to admit a certain number of undergraduates through open enrollment, meaning the only requirement for admission would be a high school diploma or the equivalent.

The bill's sponsor said it targets students who make good grades but fare poorly on standardized tests or who had to work through high school to supplement their family's income.

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