New Jersey, Michigan to Vote on Balanced-Budget Amendment

By Peter Maass

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A weak frontal system passed through our area last night. As the cold front moves in, we can expect a few scattered showers during the morning, followed by clearer skies and cooler temperatures for the afternoon. High temperatures will reach the upper 50s, with a chance of showers in the evening and overnight.

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Roller Coaster

By Arnold Seto

A weak front will move through the region today, bringing a chance of showers and increased cloud cover. Temperatures will drop into the upper 40s overnight, and a return to seasonable temperatures is expected by the weekend.

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Council on Environmental Quality To Be Replaced by Smaller Office

By Dan Foglin

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Surprising his allies in Congress and environmental groups, President Clinton said Monday that he would move to abolish the 28-year-old Council on Environmental Quality and replace it with a smaller office he said would have the same influence.

In a statement released before a scheduled hearing of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, the president said that the council had failed to keep pace with the times.

"The council has been an important institution," Clinton said. "But today's environmental challenges are much more complex than they were when the council was first created in the 1970s."