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### Acquitted man hopes arrest of another man will help clear his name

Jesus Garza (photograph at left) was acquitted of murder seven years ago in a case that was revived yesterday with the arrest of Carlos Hernandez (photograph at right), who was escorted to the Nueces County Jail by Corpus Christi police detec- tives Paul Rivera (left) and Eddie Garza. Hernan-

dez is charged with the death of Dahlia Saucedo, whose body was found in the back of her van on Nov. 20, 1979. Hernandez was a defense witness at Garza's trial in January, 1980, although the men were not acquainted before either the crime or the trial, according to Garza's attorney. Though acquit-

ted, Garza claims, his life has remained un- clouded. He says his wife left him, that he's un- employed and that he's tried to commit suicide se- veral times. "If he is guilty, I do hope he gets what he deserves," Garza said today of Hernandez. "If this will clear my name."

## Cavazos campaigns for tax measures

State Representative Eddie Cavazos campaigned today for a state tax plan that would increase the sales tax and eliminate sales tax exemptions.

Cavazos, D-Corpus Christi, said those two measures could increase the state's revenues by \$1.5 billion, about half the state's projected budget shortfall this year.

County Courthouse before a group of local directors of state offices. He offered a worst-case scenario of what would happen to their programs without a tax plan.

"It's time to face up to a tax bill. There's no way around it, there's no reason to delay it," Cavazos said.

jobs and eventually would force local entities to raise their own tax rates, Cavazos said.

"I need your help to go out in the community and talk to your neighbors, friends and relatives and encourage them to support a tax bill," he said.

"The only way to get a tax bill in an election year is if the voters make it."