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KARATE KID: With all the competition for campaign dollars, candidates are betting their careers on political rainmakers. . . . Gov. Pete Wilson, facing a tough reelection battle next year, picked Huntington Beach businessman Ron Cedillos last week to be his chief fund-raiser. Cedillos helped Wilson's 1988 Senate campaign by tapping contributors who had never given to politicians before. "I expect it will be challenging and competitive," he said. . . . Cedillos has other talents that might also help: He used to co-star in Chuck Norris' face-kicking flicks.