

1 a point where the legislators are also available when doing  
2 their research, because there needs to be interplay be-  
3 tween staff and legislators. In fact, this is a key point.  
4 As a matter of fact, 17 States use the flexible calendar,  
5 and they like it. Indeed, some who just rewrote their  
6 Constitution have adopted the flexible session.

7 The flexible legislative session permits inten-  
8 sive study and analysis. It permits returning to constitu-  
9 ents to get their opinions during a break in the period.  
10 It permits the bifurcative session if the legislature  
11 thinks this is valuable, profiting from these discussions  
12 with constituents.

13 Most important of all, the legislative session  
14 permits adjustments to emergencies. Interestingly enough,  
15 the majority report recognizes the solution does not lie  
16 in settling on one fixed date. If you were to read the  
17 majority report you would note that it sets forth three or  
18 four fixed dates, 90 days, then 30 more if needed, yet 30  
19 more again if needed, a number of special sessions if  
20 required.

21 Moreover, there was recognition during discussion