

public is bereft of safeguards limiting legislative and judicial expenses.

6. I firmly oppose any stipulation mandating expenditures for education. The exception of executive and legislative control over the education budget is inconsistent with the constitutional authority and responsibility granted elective officials to approve expenditures and levy taxes.

Moreover, education is a part of the executive responsibility, and while I do not deny its prominence in program priority, its budgetary provisions should not be excepted any more than those of departments responsible for securing our citizens' health and public safety.

7. In my budget message to the General Assembly on January 27, 1967, I discussed the need for a reserve fund to absorb the inevitable fluctuations in both revenues and expenditures, to act as a depository for small surpluses, and to serve as a source of money to finance deficits. Such a reserve fund would enable us to make closer revenue and expenditure estimates without the fear of disaster should a deficit occur.

Therefore, I recommend a constitutional provision authorizing the General Assembly to establish such a reserve fund, defining its sources of revenue and the purposes for which it may be expended. Safeguards should be provided to prevent the abuse of this fund for politically expedient reasons. This can be done by a constitutional provision specifying that legislation changing the sources of revenues or the purposes for which the fund may be used shall not become effective until two years from the date of its enactment.

#### Conclusion

It is my belief that these proposals will strengthen, clarify and improve Article VI of the Draft Constitution and assure flexibility for the future.

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#### REMARKS AT DEDICATION OF NEW CAMPUS, ANNE ARUNDEL COMMUNITY COLLEGE, SEVERNA PARK

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The community college concept is perhaps the most exciting innovation in twentieth century education. Its contribution to the present is obvious, and its potential for the future limitless. Certainly, the success of Anne Arundel Community College dramatically demon-