

constitution and that the Legislature will then be able to act on this draft by way of using this talent.

A. Yes, but the point that I make is that the draft represents only the thinking of the Commission itself and certainly not of people who have been molded by the expression of contra opinion. It doesn't present the final finished product, one that's been under bombardment by the objectors to the draft, and I think we need all these people throughout the entire process.

Q. Governor, you have declined to endorse the open housing bill that's being considered by both committees, and tomorrow I assume is the deadline for introduction of bills. May we assume then that you are not going to actively back any open housing bill?

A. No, you can't assume that. For example, if the bill that's presently moving through the Legislature were amended to conform with my views, in other words to affect new housing and new apartment ventures only, I would immediately throw my weight behind that bill. I'm not hostile to the present bill, but to me it's not politically saleable at the moment and I would restrict my energies to the bill that I think has a good chance of succeeding, which would be the one I just mentioned.

Q. Does that mean, Governor, that you don't feel that this present bill has much of a chance of getting through this session?

A. I don't want to say whether I do or not because it may very well affect the success it may have. But obviously I like to put my weight behind the bill that I think has more than a fair chance of succeeding. You know, I think that this bill that I proposed would have an excellent chance of succeeding and I do want to see something done in this session.

Q. Governor, you had a conference with members of the Snyder Committee on their prison investigation. Out of that conference are you satisfied (1) that things are leaning in the right direction, and (2) that the State police are getting cooperation from State agencies?

A. Well, with regard to the movement toward implementing the Michaelson Commission's interim recommendations I'm satisfied that the committee is moving properly; they have been in touch with the State Planning Director. I met with Senator Snyder just a few days ago about this and I'm encouraged with the steps that are being taken, and I think that committee is doing an excellent job and that we are moving forward together. The second question, which I assume