

1 rights. It simply announces the policy of the right to
2 know, and in such areas that are not already open that
3 the legislature may decide to open. It does exactly what the
4 New York Constitution does, which I believe is about as
5 far as we could possibly want to go.

6 THE CHAIRMAN: Any further questions?

7 Delegate Sollins.

8 DELEGATE SOLLINS: Delegate Kiefer, could you
9 tell me what you mean by the meaning of the word "operates"
10 in line 6 of your amendment, please?

11 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Kiefer.

12 DELEGATE KIEFER: Delegate Sollins, I suppose
13 that means the operations, all of the operations of the
14 government.

15 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Sollins.

16 DELEGATE SOLLINS: For example, does it
17 indicate that people have the right to be present at all
18 legislative committee hearings, both at the state and
19 local level?

20 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Kiefer.

21 DELEGATE KIEFER: I would think that it does to