

1 provide by law for equal educational opportunities for all  
2 Marylanders, those words do sound good. I don't think  
3 there is anyone in this assembly today that doesn't agree  
4 that this is what we like, what we want to do, but it is  
5 another thing to implement it. In fact, it is impossible  
6 to do.

7 I feel and believe that education must be free  
8 to let creative influences come and flow through it, and  
9 when you have this kind of thing that says everything shall  
10 be equal, then where and what happens to the diversity,  
11 what happens to the creative influences that we know are  
12 needed in education. Then it comes to the problem of  
13 meaning. I am sure that if we ask every member in this  
14 assembly sitting here today, What does equal educational  
15 opportunity mean for all residents, you get 142 different  
16 answers.

17 Does it mean complete, total, free education  
18 from infancy to the grave? Does it mean that each child  
19 must receive the same amount of money for education, re-  
20 gardless of circumstances? Does it mean that the technical  
21 school in St. Mary's must offer the same identical type of