

1 in the majority report or that is forthcoming from another
2 committee that would prohibit the legislature from increasing
3 items in the budget?

4 DELEGATE GALLAGHER: I am not in position to
5 speak for State Finance and Taxation, but as I understand
6 what is going on, the committee, through its chairman, has
7 expressed some opposition to allowing the General Assembly
8 to increase the executive budget.

9 THE CHAIRMAN: I might state that all matters
10 pertaining to the budget have been referred to the Committee
11 on State Finance and Taxation. It has not yet filed its
12 report on that subject.

13 DELEGATE DORSEY: In the old Constitution, the
14 legislature was specifically prohibited--

15 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Dorsey, this period is only
16 for questions --

17 DELEGATE DORSEY: I am trying to ask him a question.

18 THE CHAIRMAN: -- with respect ^{to} these sections
19 of the report.

20 DELEGATE DORSEY: As this report stands, there
21 is nothing to prohibit the legislature from increasing