

1 Certainly judges check judges on the appellate level.

2 As a matter of fact, some people even keep score with respect
3 to how judges make out in the lower courts when confronted
4 with the opinion of the appellate courts.

5 A governor to some extent is checked by the
6 bureaucracy within the executive branch of the government,
7 so there are checks, it seems to me, within the other two
8 branches as well.

9 I think an examination of the bills which fail
10 and the bills which are introduced will show that approxi-
11 mately 50 per cent of the bills which are introduced into the
12 Maryland General Assembly are local in nature, so it seems
13 to me that one proves nothing when one says that bills
14 are killed in a bicameral system; whether they be state
15 or local shows that bicameralism works.

16 I would also suggest to the members of the committee
17 that when the legislative agents sometimes unkindly referred
18 to as lobbyists appeared before the Committee on the Legislative
19 Branch, that they were not well-disposed toward suggesting
20 that the people before whom they appear regularly should have
21 their jobs eliminated, and I suspect that any bow they gave