

1 have a right to appoint the heads of the various departments
2 with perhaps certain rare exceptions where it may be
3 desirable for the Governor to appoint a board and have
4 the board appoint the head of the department if it is
5 a professional department, that appointee being subject
6 to the approval of the Governor.

7 Although in New Jersey the Governor appointed
8 the Commissioner of Education, it should certainly be a
9 nonpolitical appointment. I was happy that the man I
10 appointed Commissioner of Education was reappointed by
11 two of my successors.

12 We have in our Constitution a conditional veto.
13 This has been of tremendous help both to the legislature
14 and to the Governor. Because frequently the purpose of
15 a bill is a good one. Due to faulty draftsmanship, the
16 Governor in the absence of a conditional veto must either
17 veto it outright because it is faulty in part or with
18 tongue in cheek approve it hoping that in due course the
19 Legislature will amend it.

20 We also have a provision which I commend to
21 you for your consideration. The Legislature comes back