

1 THE CHAIRMAN: Gentlemen, the meeting will come
2 to order. Today I have asked Mr. Nilson C. Raver,
3 Executive Secretary of the Maryland State Teachers Associa-
4 tion, to appear before the Committee for the purpose of
5 giving his views on the question of changing or not chang-
6 ing, as the case might be, Subsection 11, Section 52,
7 Article 3 of the Constitution.

8 We all know in general what this section pro-
9 vides, but for the sake of the record, let me just say
10 that the particular part that we are now faced with reads
11 as follows, and I quote: The estimate for the Legislative
12 Department certified by the presiding officer of each
13 house of the Judiciary as provided by law, certified by the
14 Comptroller, and for the public schools, as provided by
15 law, has been transmitted to the governor in such form
16 and at such times as he shall direct and shall be included
17 in the budget without revision.

18 At the hearing that the Committee held on
19 June 9, there were a number of witnesses who were heard,
20 and some of those left the Committee with the impression
21 that as a matter of fact, the governor does negotiate with