

1 has been clarified here that these are only estimates.
2 They are not sacred. They do go through a great deal
3 of analysis by the State Health Department who has
4 statisticians who check on birth rates and --

5 MR. CASE: Mr. Perkins, what kind of post
6 audit procedures are employed to check the reversions,
7 to see whether or not they are correct amounts?

8 MR. PERKINS: The Auditor's Department
9 checks all State agencies.

10 MR. CASE: The State Auditor?

11 MR. PERKINS: Yes, sir, the State Auditor
12 does, not the Budget Bureau. This new law was sup-
13 posedly designed to correct this large reversion every
14 year, but ever --

15 MR. CASE: You mean the Norton formula?

16 MR. PERKINS: Yes, sir, the Norton formula,
17 but even here, in the last two years, we still have had
18 these large reversions. Of course, in the end, the
19 Budget Bureau likes to have them to help balance the
20 budget for the next year, but we would also, if we
21 could come up with reliable estimates, we don't want