

1 in conflict and we have never -- I mean, we claim that
2 we do not consider that we are a department of the County
3 government, that education is a State function and we
4 have certain power delegated to us by the State and we
5 operate under Article 77, and so forth, and not under
6 the County Charter, as such.

7 So, I think it would be very helpful, I know
8 to us, and Dr. Bard said that in Baltimore City it is
9 spelled out in their Charter that they are independent
10 and have a certain amount of --

11 MR. ENEY: But the appointment of the Balti-
12 more County Board is still by the statute, Article 77,
13 rather than by the Charter; is that right?

14 MR. SARTORIUS: That's right.

15 THE CHAIRLADY: Do you feel there should be
16 a constitutional provision regarding the appointment of
17 a County Board?

18 MR. SARTORIUS: Not the appointment of the
19 County Board, but spelling them out like you do the
20 State Department of Education, that they formulate
21 policy and operate the school system. Not the appointment;