

1 says, well, we'll just cut so many million dollars out
2 of that per pupil allotment or State aid, even though
3 the law says that we are going to be guaranteed this,
4 when it comes to be paid, if the funds are not there,
5 we are hurt. We can't carry out our local rights be-
6 cause we have submitted budgets locally with the State
7 support that is guaranteed by law. So, certainly it
8 has got to be kept in, so the budget people or the
9 legislature cannot just arbitrarily cut money that
10 would support the provisions of the finance laws that
11 are there. That's about all I have to say.

12 THE CHAIRLADY: I would like to ask you at
13 least one question, which you may not want to answer.
14 I would regard it perhaps as a hot question, but coming
15 from the county superintendents group, there are a num-
16 ber of state constitutions which make specific provision
17 or prohibition against the use of state funds either
18 directly or indirectly in support of secular schools,
19 either stating explicitly that they cannot be used for
20 transportation and stating explicitly they cannot be
21 used for any purpose. I know this has been an issue in