

1 within that period.

2 THE CHAIRMAN: Would you change the require-
3 ment in regard to passing the budget first before you
4 could move into other bills?

5 DELEGATE MANDEL: I don't know whether I
6 would change that requirement. I think there is a
7 constitutional amendment that is going to be on the
8 ballot this year that if you cannot pass it through one
9 house, you can finally pass it -- but I think you ought
10 to change the date on which the budget has to be passed.
11 I think it should be a little earlier.

12 THE CHAIRMAN: What is it now?

13 DELEGATE MANDEL: You have to pass the budget
14 within three days or the Governor must call a special
15 session for the purpose of the budget only. I think
16 if you made that a little earlier period of time, ten
17 days or fifteen days before the end of the session,
18 then these appropriations bills could be acted on
19 properly. I think that provision about appropriations
20 does serve an effective purpose in a lot of instances.

21 THE CHAIRMAN: You would keep that part?