

1 except in certain instances, some of which are now obsolete.  
2 This provision has been subject to much criticism and legal  
3 interpretation, and I believe should be clarified. Mr.  
4 Robert C. Murphy, Deputy Attorney General, concurs with me.

5 "In closing, it is my sincere wish and belief  
6 that no recommendation be made for change in Section 52 of  
7 Article 3 that could weaken the executive budget control  
8 which has worked so efficiently and well over the years.  
9 Sincerely yours, James G. Rennie, Director."

10 Now, with that general statement, which was  
11 brief, I don't know where to begin. I suppose it will be  
12 repetitive, what I might say. There have been attempts to  
13 get into the budget system, made off and on over the years,  
14 to break down its executive control which has worked so  
15 well, and I see two people's names on the list to appear  
16 today -- I thought Everstine was on there. He is not  
17 appearing today, is he?

18 MR. BROOKS: No, sir.

19 MR. RENNIE: No? Well, Janet Hoffman, back  
20 during the McKeldin administration -- I don't know what she  
21 is going to have to say when she gets here -- but it was