

1 through the Department of Parole and Probation, has  
2 assumed this responsibility. In some of the larger  
3 counties, such as Prince George's County, you will find  
4 Probation Departments supported by both local funds and  
5 State funds. Such diverse arrangements have no justifica-  
6 tion in financial equity or efficiency."

7 Of course, earlier in this statement I proposed  
8 that all of the State offices and their supporting services,  
9 which would include Probation, should be supported by the  
10 State.

11 "Many of the ancillary offices of the Courts  
12 are financed from fees. Such systems violate all recognized  
13 sound budgetary precepts. Whatever positions and offices  
14 are required for the efficient conduct of the Courts, and  
15 allied services should be budgeted from General Funds;  
16 whatever revenues are generated from these offices should  
17 be included in the budget as a general fund revenue item."

18 Again, in making this recommendation, it is not  
19 made in the interest of simply shifting costs to the State,  
20 because there are a number of revenues generated by the  
21 Courts through the Sheriff's Office, in particular, and in