

On the other hand, these people along with the Public School System also enjoy certain other advantages in the budgetary process, which I question, where even the Federal Judiciary, for example, doesn't have the kind of freedom which is given to the Maryland Judiciary in the budget process.

Now, I think we've got to think of the budgetary process in Maryland in terms of the power of the Chief Executive. I happen to favor a very strong executive budget system. Listening to John Lauber's remarks, I probably would go him one better in terms of the strength of the executive budget. His budgetary authority goes hand in hand with his administrative authority.

The budget is beyond all doubt the finest management tool that any public executive has for not only making his wants known, but controlling the actual management of the executive agencies.

Now, it has been said, and I have from observation not only in this, but in many other jobs that we have done on the State of Maryland, it could probably be said if it weren't for budget pressures, the Governor of Maryland