

1 why he shouldn't be handled in the ordinary routine of
2 business, not make a special resolution for each indivi-
3 dual witness.

4 THE CHAIRMAN: Any further discussion?

5 Mr. Sayre?

6 MR. SAYRE: Mr. Chairman, I would maybe like
7 to hear an elaboration as to the rationale here. I can
8 think of one in another State Legislature. Could you
9 elaborate on this?

10 MRS. BÖTHE: I don't feel the Legislatures are
11 analogous to courts or to administrative bodies. They
12 are not primarily fact finding organizations. They are
13 political organizations designed to pass laws, and be-
14 cause of that, the abuses potentially inherent in a Legis-
15 lature especially one that is not in continuous session
16 that holds a short meeting once a year being able to have
17 an investigative free for all which has never happened
18 in Maryland because regardless of what the actual state-
19 ment of affairs may be, the Committees are apparently
20 under the impression that they cannot compel the attendance
21 of witnesses and have never tried it. This provision,