

1 THE CHAIRMAN: I think that is correct. Any  
2 further question with respect to Section 6? We passed  
3 on Section 7 yesterday. We will move to Section 8.

4 MR. MARTINEAU: Section 8. The Chief Justice.

5 The governor shall designate one of the jus-  
6 tices of the Supreme Court to serve as chief justice for  
7 the balance of his service on the court or until he re-  
8 signs the office of chief justice. During a vacancy in  
9 the office of chief justice, or during a period when  
10 the chief justice is unable to serve as determined by  
11 the Supreme Court, all powers and duties of the office  
12 of chief justice shall devolve upon the associate justice  
13 senior in service on the Supreme Court.

14 THE CHAIRMAN: Any question on Section 8. Any  
15 comment? Section 9.

16 MR. MARTINEAU: We are back to where we were  
17 yesterday. Section 9. Selection of Judges.

18 A. Eligibility. To be eligible for nomina-  
19 tion and appointment to a judicial office, a person shall  
20 have been a member of the bar of the State for no fewer  
21 than five years next prior to his nomination.