

1 really doing here is protecting the system for one year
2 and indeed it seemed that the planning would admit that
3 this protection would be a sound thing and this, coupled
4 with the really great fervor that school people use in
5 embracing this Section, plus the fact that we were
6 assured by the people in the Budget Department that it
7 has worked well and as a practical matter necessarily
8 would have to work well because of the Governor's control
9 of other parts of the State school budget, led this
10 Committee to the judgment that the present situation
11 should be continued in principle.

12 There is a modification in language. There
13 is a list of Attorney General's opinions which carve out
14 of this blanket prohibition that the Governor works on
15 items which are not mandated items. We have discussed
16 those Attorney General's opinions in our Report, but
17 suffice it to say, we felt that the language of the
18 prohibition should be altered slightly to conform to
19 actually what is done today. The present provision of
20 the Constitution says, quote, and I am reading at Page
21 14 of the material indented, And for the public schools;