

1 the point you made to this Commission that in effect  
2 it is a constitutional provision that protects just the  
3 budget for one year?

4 MR. CASE: They said in effect that this is  
5 exactly what they needed and had to have.

6 MR. SCANLAN: I know, but why?

7 MR. CASE: Well, there are a number of reasons  
8 but I can capsule them all by saying to avoid political  
9 interference in school system, to avoid what they fear  
10 to be political coercion.

11 MR. SCANLAN: Aren't there other States with  
12 very fine school systems such as maybe California that  
13 don't have a provision like this?

14 MR. CASE: Undoubtedly this is true. We were  
15 cited to a number of instances where these provisions  
16 were absent and where it was stated that the school sys-  
17 tems were riddled with politics, and this had been or this  
18 is the cardinal point.

19 MR. SCANLAN: But you pointed out, I believe,  
20 in your Report to the Commission that the Legislature, the  
21 representatives of the people, if they wanted to play