

1 MR. CASE: They might pass a joint resolution.

2 MRS. BOTHE: Would that have the effect of
3 actually --

4 MR. CASE: That has the effect of law. That is
5 a simple way to do it.

6 THE CHAIRMAN: The only real effect of that
7 would be to permit them to increase the only items they
8 can increase, namely the legislative?

9 MR. CASE: That is right.

10 THE CHAIRMAN: But would permit them to do that
11 and still say they had a balanced budget.

12 Mr. Scanlan?

13 MR. SCANLAN: Other States, directing your
14 attention to the very last sentence, except as herein
15 provided, the General Assembly shall not alter the budget
16 bill except to strike out or reduce items, do other
17 States have restrictions on the power of the representa-
18 tives of the people to increase the budget bill or the bud-
19 get?

20 MR. CASE: I can answer that one. About 40
21 per cent of the States have this provision; about 60 per