

1 sooner than it does on the budget. The witnesses all
2 said, including the legislative leaders, that too much
3 time was spent on minutia on whether or not Crownsville
4 should have four secretaries or five secretaries, and so
5 on and so forth, and that really if the Members of the
6 General Assembly got down to viewing the situation program
7 by program, and weighing needs against proposed programs,
8 that they could come to grips with the budget and make
9 solutions with respect to it in a lot earlier time than
10 is actually done at the present; so we had these two
11 counterbalance philosophies to work out, and the solution
12 that the Committee came up with, in substance, is this:
13 That the Governor presents a well thought out, coordinated
14 budget, showing revenues, estimated revenues and disburse-
15 ments and a budget bill appropriating the disbursements.
16 Presumptively, he has spent a lot of time on this. He has
17 had a lot of experts working on it. The reason to have the
18 Legislature review it and pass it into law is the obvious
19 check and balance in our own system of government.

20 If the Legislature is going to dillydally
21 around and slow down the process of all other governmental
functions dealing with money, the money bills, by dragging