Department points out that a bill becomes law when it passes the Legislature with the requisite number of votes and gets the approval of the Governor. This advances the time that the petition has to be filed and was designed to eliminate precisely the foul-up Mr. Case was worried about.

THE CHAIRMAN: I think this was one of the things discussed at the last meeting of the Commission or second meeting. Does that answer your question, Mr. Case?

MR. CASE: Yes.

DR. BURDETTE: I am very unhappy with that technicality. Because no layman, this is only style, no layman would read this language that the bill becomes law until it is in effect. This is a lawyer's difference. I just wish we could get some language --

THE CHAIRMAN: This is one the lawyers would say was abundantly clear.

DK. BURDETTE: You see what I am talking about. It ought to be abundantly clear to a layman.

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