

1 the Convention could observe after it had been organized  
2 and our Committee has examined rules of the House  
3 Representatives of the United States Congress, the rules  
4 of the House Delegates and rules of the Senate, and the  
5 rules of the Rhode Island Constitution Convention. I be-  
6 lieve it fair to say the Committee's, some lethargy on  
7 the Committee's part stems from the fact that some of  
8 them regard this as a make work project. The other arises  
9 out of the concern that maybe if this Commission were to  
10 draft a full-fledged set of rules to give to the Conven-  
11 tion some might feel we are usurping the functions of  
12 the Convention.

13 It has some advantage, of course, in having  
14 rules ready made to observe as soon as the Convention  
15 begins to operate. On the other hand, the way we drafted  
16 this bill, we will have the summer to organize, and we  
17 will follow Roberts Rules of Orders until they do organize  
18 and in that summer, perhaps they can work out different  
19 rules if they don't prefer to follow Roberts Rules of  
20 Orders.

21 In any event, the Commission is concerned