

1 we have felt the chief policy individuals, that is
2 the chief executives of the heads of the various
3 departments and the chief executive officer should be
4 subject to the will of the Governor. I have so far
5 talked for four minutes without mentioning what is
6 perhaps the most controversial subject inherent in this
7 proposal and I suppose I can't get by without mentioning
8 it and that is the Superintendent of Schools. Under
9 this proposal, I think it would be safe to say that the
10 Superintendent of Schools would be subject to the
11 executive will. This matter gave us great concern.
12 I think one is always reluctant, certainly I have learned
13 to be reluctant to tamper with anything relating to
14 the Public School System. We did feel, however, and
15 I must say my own personal position is buttressed
16 somewhat by the recommendation of the Finance Committee,
17 that the mandated funds, the budget of the School
18 System should basically be inviolate, that a department
19 which spends as substantially a part of the income of
20 the state as does the School system should be in some
21 way responsive to the executive will. This is in no