

1 think it will lose by stating it as you propose it,
2 because it is inconceivable to me the state will at any
3 future time be able to operate without an Attorney
4 General, unless you call him Judge Advocate or some other
5 title. You have to have a legal department. I don't
6 see any particular objection, if the Committee feels that
7 that should be stated as an officer to be appointed. I
8 see no objection to dignifying it by making him a
9 Constitutional officer. I don't take the same view
10 with the Comptroller, however.

11 MR. CASE: Why not?

12 JUDGE ADKINS: It seems to me that the
13 Comptroller's function might very well be completely
14 changed in terms of the studies of the Curlette Commission,
15 the creation of the Department of Finance, Department
16 of Taxation or some of the tax collecting functions that
17 are now existing in the Comptroller's office may be
18 taken out of that Department and put somewhere else,
19 and it doesn't seem to me that you can forecast with
20 any assurance that the Curlette Commission or any other
21 Commission of comparable stature is going to necessarily