

1 and he does, and the Board approves it and the budget
2 now goes to the Governor.

3 What, if anything, can you or the Governor or
4 anyone do to bring this figure back to 1,400,000?

5 MR. SACHS: That is my question.

6 MR. PERKINS: We have done it. We have revised
7 figures that the State Department of Education presented to
8 us on the basis -- and you are only talking about one thing,
9 pupils. So, if we feel the pupil estimates are too high,
10 we can reduce them. Every pupil that you reduce, you are
11 reducing the over-all budget request by \$340 essentially.

12 THE CHAIRMAN: That's right. Have you ever done
13 this after the State Board of Education has passed a budget?

14 MR. PERKINS: The budgets that we receive in our
15 office have all been approved by their respective Boards
16 and then they are presented to us after they have been
17 approved by the Board of Regents and the Board of Education
18 and the Board of Colleges.

19 THE CHAIRMAN: So that you have, in effect,
20 reduced --

21 MR. PERKINS: With their agreement, we discuss