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SENATOR CARPENTER: First to announce that the Executive Board will have a meeting tomorrow afternoon at 1:00 in I presume in the place where we normally meet in, and next I'd like to say that I've placed on the desk of every Senator this bill with the information which is by this cover and if you go to page 5, that sets forth in the area which you don't have to go through the statutes in order to determine the responsibilities of the Executive Board as it now exists. Senator Marvel I understand has a bill which was introduced yesterday, and I presume and hope it would refer to the appropriations committee, which would be germane in order to make changes that this body desires to make in the authority and the responsibility that now rests with the Executive Board. As I understood from the conversation of this board there was some question of opinion as to whether or not the board has more power than it should have, and I would hope at the time that this bill comes on the floor which Senator Marvel has introduced, those people who have that opinion should make an effort to change it. Even to the point of considering whether we ought to do away entirely with the Executive Board and let the legislature operate under its normal form. I will support such a motion, but anyway I have had this thing condensed so you will not have to look through the sections of the statutes in order to understand in the rotation in which they are applied the duties and the responsibilities of the Executive Board as it now exists, and I would presume that Senator Marvel's bill will probably be out here within a week or ten days at the latest, and then that bill is germane to any amendments to anybody that might be in question as to whether or not this board has too much power. Now Mr. President I would like to ask Senator Marvel a question.

SPEAKER: Senator Marvel will you yield to a question?

SENATOR MARVEL: Yes.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Now as I understand it, I only ask for information, that the Governor's budget has been recommended to the appropriations committee, now what is going to be the procedure

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in your judgement that your committee probably will take?

SENATOR MARVEL: Starting Monday afternoon, we propose to begin to hold hearings on legislative bill 259, which is the Governor's budget bill, introduced by the speaker according to the new constitutional amendment which was approved at the last general election. The committee would continue to hold hearings on this bill, and then any changes would be recommended in the form of amendments as amendments to any other bill, and then the bill plus the amendments would be recommended to the floor of the legislature for discussion, so the hearing is strictly on the Governor's budget bill.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Well now, this may be a rather foolish question, but how long would you guess the hearings would take on the Governor's budget?

SENATOR MARVEL: I would hope that they would be through by the end of February.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Now is it my understanding your going to send the Governors' budget out as he suggested it and when it gets on the floor of the legislature then you are going to offer amendments as recommended by your committee to his bill?