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SENATOR KEYES: Senator Murphy, Senator Murphy, when we go back to Congress and the President of the United States and the Vice President, can you tell me how we get a new Vice President? We have gotten one in the last eight years. How we get a new Vice President and how we get a new President?

SENATOR MURPHY: The Vice President, of course, is selected and designated by the President, however, the President, if I am not mistaken, the assumption is I am going to say I think the next line of succession outside that appointment would be the Speaker of the House.

SENATOR KEYES: Yes, the Speaker of the House becomes the first man up after the Vice President, to fill the Vice Presidency, it is the Speaker of the House, am I not right?

SENATOR MURPHY: I believe so, Senator.

SENATOR KEYES: Yes, and then a new Speaker of the House is chosen and he automatically can move up to be Vice President and the Speaker of the House can become President.

SENATOR MURPHY: That would be true.

SENATOR KEYES: So what was so wrong with the Legislature doing that way.

SENATOR MURPHY: Of course, the Legislature is prohibited from making appointments, Senator Keyes, and the Constitution's provisions are overriding in all instances, and in this case, the Constitutional provision is silent totally in regard to this. I think if you wish to go that route you would have to have another constitutional amendment allowing the Legislature to in fact designate that line of succession, because in section 10 under Article 4, the Legislature is prohibited from making any appointments.

SENATOR KEYES: Did you consider that as one of the alternatives to the constitutional amendment that you are working on?

SENATOR MURPHY: No, I thought that this was adequate. It is quite simple. It simply strikes one phrase in Article 11 that facilitates I think completely what this Legislature would want which is the Governor to designate a fellow party member to serve as his Lieutenant Governor.

SENATOR KEYES: And that man need not come from the legislative