

1 the recommendation of this committee it means that the
2 General Assembly will have no power to pass any legisla-
3 ture giving the right to grant a lottery permit or a
4 lottery grant to anyone whether it is a corporation, an
5 individual, or a political subdivision of the state,
6 meaning a city or a county.

7 If you turn this recommendation down, then it
8 will mean that the legislature may grant lotteries, may
9 provide for the manner of their operation, but I ask you
10 to keep this one thing in mind, because in a few moments
11 I will go into it in detail.

12 We have passed by our action in connection
13 with the local government provisions a series of recom-
14 mendations with respect to local government. They will
15 have their home rule, they will retain the powers which
16 they have at the present time; ^{Except} with respect to changes in
17 taxing power or the judiciary on the local level, the
18 local subdivisions, meaning the cities as well as the
19 counties, will retain all of the power that they have.

20 I ask you to keep in mind that if the Consti-
21 tution of Maryland removes the restraint on lotteries,