

1 fide farm."

2 At another place the spokesman said, "This en-
3 visages the General Assembly passing a definitional law
4 which will either itself define what a farm is or is not or
5 delegate authority to make that definition to the Department
6 of Revenue or Assessments and Taxation."

7 We then got into a discussion of the Alsop case
8 and the spokesman said it was the intention of the committee
9 to change this and to give the Legislature or the Department
10 of Assessments and Taxation the right to say what is a farm.
11 In the colloquy that ensued beginning at pages 7115 the
12 question was asked about the ability to define agricultural
13 use and the reply was that the sum total of it is that the
14 administrator of the department says that it can be done.
15 The committee went on to argue that a persuasive case had
16 been made for allowing this particular preferential assess-
17 ment for farmers, but we got then into what I think is the
18 crux of the issue.

19 In answer to questions from Delegate Henderson
20 and the Chairman, the committee spokesman at that point was
21 asked by the chairman the following question: If you had