

1 name of Delegate Gullett to the sponsors?

2 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Gullett is added to the
3 list of sponsors.

4 DELEGATE GRANT: This amendment will require a
5 little bit of history. If anyone wants to follow me in
6 detail, you can start with page 85 of the copy of the
7 Constitution.

8 Roughly, in 1954 an amendment to the Constitution
9 was adopted, Article 11E, Municipal Corporations. Without
10 having to read it, it essentially consists of six sections.
11 Section 1 provided that from here on in that the General
12 Assembly would deal with municipal corporations, only by a
13 public general law. Now, the specific part of the amendment
14 speaking to that says, "but the General Assembly shall act
15 in relation to the incorporation or organization of govern-
16 ment or affairs of any municipal corporation only by general
17 law."

18 Section 2 provided for classification of muni-
19 cipalities and this section was never implemented by the
20 General Assembly, never used in Maryland.

21 Section 3 of this constitutional amendment is