

1 You do not, therefore, have available now an
2 alternate choice in most instances of either submitting an
3 amendment or asking for a division. If you want the
4 question raised, it would have to be by amendment. You
5 cannot wait until the article is actually on final vote
6 and then ask for revision. The time for amendment will
7 have expired.

8 As the Chair indicated several days ago, when
9 we say that the article is open for amendment, we do not
10 mean that it is open for any and all amendments of any
11 kind. It would not be possible, for instance, to submit
12 an amendment to add a new section or even to add an
13 entirely new idea in an existing section because the
14 Convention rules provide that all proposals, and "proposal"
15 means anything to be included in the Constitution, must
16 be first submitted in the form of a proposal and then be
17 referred to a committee and then have the usual treatment
18 of first, second, and third readings for consideration of
19 the Committee of the Whole and so forth, so that the only
20 amendments which are proper are amendments which are
21 germane. This is, again, a question in the first instance