

1 I would stress in taking up section 3.01, that
2 is to say, the legislative power of the State is
3 vested in the General Assembly, which shall consist of
4 two houses, the Senate and the House of Delegates,
5 that this particular section must be read in conjunction
6 with the remainder of the recommendations. That is to say,
7 I am suggesting to this Committee that the report which
8 you have before you is a package, and was voted upon with
9 the idea that it contained the elements throughout which
10 made each and every section satisfactory to the majority
11 of the members of the Committee.

12 The Committee heard 68 witnesses, of whom 31
13 were present or former members of the General Assembly, 11
14 were professionals in the field or authors and academi-
15 cians -- I hesitate and do not use the word experts -- and
16 13 were legislative agents or lobbyists or fell into other
17 categories.

18 In suggesting the adoption of a bicameral
19 General Assembly, the Committee did not believe that we
20 should depart from tradition or history. In each of the
21 four Constitutions under which the State of Maryland has