

1 seven and this high visibility, this greater sense of
2 responsibility, this greater opportunity for public scrutiny,
3 the committee felt 15 to 5, I might say, 15 to 5, the
4 roll call vote on the subject matter, would provide a
5 better Senate and a better House and a better kind of
6 representation for the people of Maryland.

7 Of course, one of the happy by-products of
8 using the single-member district would be the cutting down
9 on the long ballot.

10 There is a significant effort being made in
11 this convention to eliminate the long ballot by eliminating
12 certain state-wide offices, and certainly if one is to
13 follow the logic of this approach, the cutting down on
14 60 and 70 candidates would certainly provide an
15 opportunity for greater ^{intelligent} voter ~~intelligent~~ participation
16 at election time.

17 Mr. Chairman, I note that the time is 1:30. Do
18 you wish me to proceed?

19 THE CHAIRMAN: Do you think your principal
20 presentation will take much longer, not including
21 the question period?