

1 special session is convened. We now provide that not only  
2 may the Governor call a special session, but the presid-  
3 ing officers of both the House and the Senate may like-  
4 wise do so, acting concurrently, and finally, the legisla-  
5 ture, itself, by a three-fifths written request, may re-  
6 quire that it be convoked by the Governor into session; so  
7 there are three avenues, therefore, of special sessions.

8 We use the three-fifths rather than the majority  
9 because we felt that three-fifths would guarantee that  
10 if there were a special session, at least there would be  
11 some reasonable likelihood that the matter which brought  
12 the House and Senate together would be acted upon in an  
13 appropriate, affirmative fashion, whereas one took a risk  
14 with the majority vote for the self-convening, that there  
15 might not be enough votes when they finally arrived to  
16 accomplish whatever good was intended by the call of the  
17 special session.

18 With respect to putting the power into the hands  
19 of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House  
20 to convene the General Assembly concurrently, we felt that  
21 these men were responsible enough not to call such a session