

1 The committee then considered the possibility
2 of using voter registration as the basis for reapportionment
3 and redistricting, without awaiting a 1970 figure. We also
4 considered the possibility of using voter turnouts as a method
5 of determining reapportionment, so the committee has been
6 struggling ^{to find} with a way to make the changes effective for
7 the General Assembly to be elected in 1970.

8 The committee has discussed the possibility of
9 extending the term of the present General Assembly one year
10 into 1971 by which time the complete census track[†] figures
11 in their final form would be available, and consequently
12 could be acted upon, presumably allowing the next General
13 Assembly to have a term of three years, so that we would be
14 back on the same four-year schedule; a five-year term, a three-
15 year term and then back to four.

16 The difficulty with the entire situation is this:
17 That four does not divide into ten, except every other
18 ten year period, so we would have a recurring difficulty in
19 1990, 2010, 2030. The committee has not given up trying
20 to find a way to implement its provisions in 1970.

21 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Gleason?