

1 enhancement and improvement. I mean no reflection on
2 the great men of the past who have come and served this
3 State at great sacrifice, but the legislature I think in
4 the terms of this bicameral amendment is being given a
5 gratuitous disservice. It is being told we do not trust
6 you to act independently as men elected to represent us
7 but we want two shots at it.

8 I think we need to know and let the men that
9 we elect know we trust you, we want you to come down here
10 and adequately represent us without fear or favor.

11 I want to go further. I think as Marylanders we
12 stand here today with the concept that we may have a lot
13 of history. Maryland has never been afraid to step forward
14 in the front ranks of any forward movement, regardless of what
15 her sister states have done or not done. If the unicameral system
16 is the vehicle that should take us into the future, we
17 should not hesitate and stand back because our sister states
18 have not acted.

19 I sincerely believe that visibility, responsibility
20 is the keynote of this very important amendment, that
21 men and women will be attracted to this body, will