

1 The question is whether or not we should have a
2 General Assembly of 140 members to be decided by
3 voting on that number or voting on another number, without
4 having to eliminate all limitations. The question of
5 flexibility, which was argued so much by Mr. Gleason,
6 sounds nice, but the amendment would leave within section
7 3.04 two very substantial restrictions on what the
8 General Assembly may do and leaves single member districts
9 and leaves three-to-one ratio.

10 All in all I think the only question is whether
11 or not we are willing to let the legislature go through
12 the agony that it has gone through, the same sort of agony
13 that the United States Congress goes through every ten years,
14 as it did this past ten years, the agony which was so
15 great that when Congress first faced up to the question
16 of a limit on the size of the House of Representatives
17 after the 1910 reapportionment, it threw up its hands
18 in 1920 and simply did not reapportion at all.

19 THE CHAIRMAN: The time allowed by the debate
20 schedule for debate having expired, the question
21 before the Committee is the adoption of Amendment No. 4.