

1 to Mr. Hanson.

2 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Hanson.

3 DELEGATE HANSON: Mr. Chairman, I rise to support
4 the recommendation of the Committee and to oppose the
5 amendment. This amendment is an open invitation to warfare
6 between the House and the Senate every time something has to
7 be done over the question of what the size of either should
8 be.

9 Since no ratio is fixed, the Senate has the option
10 of voting to increase its size and the House has the option
11 of voting to increase its size.

12 Legislative nature being what history demonstrates
13 it to be, there is a strong likelihood neither house will
14 run pell-mell toward the prospect of decreasing its size.
15 Thus the Senate could desire to increase itself to 45, the
16 only cost to it being the decrease of the House to 135,
17 or the House could offer magnanimously to increase itself
18 to 144, the only cost being seven senators in the process.

19 The job we have in this Convention as the
20 Chairman of the Legislative Branch Committee pointed out
21 earlier, is to reconcile several values. One of these