

1 be more important, but certainly it is a hearts amendment.

2 The Institute of Judicial Administration, which
3 studied the Maryland judicial system and prepared a
4 lengthy and well-documented report, says that the essen-
5 tials of a sound judicial system are as follows, and num-
6 ber one is a simple, unified court structure. Then they
7 say good judges, businesslike administration, efficient
8 rules and sound financing. That is what we think we pro-
9 vided in this article, but Section 5.01 sets up the
10 simple, unified court structure.

11 Now, Maryland does not now have the simple
12 unified court structure, and the aim of 5.01 is to give us
13 one.

14 In this state we have about 16 different kinds
15 of courts. They range from our Court of Appeals to the
16 Circuit Courts, and six of them in Baltimore City; then
17 we have the multiplicity of Orphans' Courts, Trial Magis-
18 trates, Municipal Courts, People's Courts, Justices of
19 the Peace, Committee Magistrates and Housing Courts.

20 The aim of this Section 5.01 is to put all of
21 this structure in a simple unified system. The minority