

1 THE CHAIRMAN: Following the next speaker for
2 the proponents.

3 Delegate Gilchrist.

4 DELEGATE GILCHRIST: I yield three minutes to a
5 man who has probably had more experience with the machinery
6 of legislation than any other man in the room, Delegate
7 Della.

8 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Della.

9 DELEGATE DELLA: Mr. Chairman, Delegates of the
10 Convention, I think we are on the right path of trying to
11 create a legislative body that is going to have a good
12 image with the public. When you take a 40-member Senate
13 and say the least number of those members of 11 can pass a
14 bill in the Senate because if you have 21 as your quorum
15 and a majority of your 21 would be 11, now ordinarily under
16 our present procedure and under our present Constitution,
17 it would take 21 members to pass a bill to make it consti-
18 tutional.

19 In the House, we have 120, a quorum is 61, and
20 under the proposal by the majority of the committee it
21 would only require 31 members out of a body of 120.