

in Maryland food that is not necessarily healthy and harmless, so that we are saying that we need a state law to take up the slack that is left by the Federal Constitution and federal law, rather than to supplant them.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Case.

DELEGATE CASE: Delegate Key, I could not agree with you more, but is not the legislature right now or the legislative council right now facing up to this situation and has it not adopted a very comprehensive meat inspection law which was recommended by the University of Maryland?

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Key.

DELEGATE KEY: You are very much correct, Delegate Case, and I have had an opportunity to look at the proposed consumer bill that was proposed this year in the General Assembly and adopted, and really as I looked at the three or four pages that were proposed, I could not really read it readily because most of it was stricken out.

I think if the constitution provides some base from which the legislature can act, then they will act with courage and do for the State what they feel needs to be done. They will work it cautiously and do what is least expected of them, rather than what is adequate for the job.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Case.

DELEGATE CASE: There are two other areas. Is it your proposal to set up a fair labor standards act or state fair practices act?

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Key.

DELEGATE KEY: I really could not say what this might entail, because, as you say, we do have a Legislative Council that looks at these things and decides.

As you can see, we did leave this for the legislators to do, hoping they would do a very good job.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Case.

DELEGATE CASE: Does your proposal also cover the intrastate, and I underscore that, intrastate sales of securities, stocks, bonds, and that kind of thing?

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Key.

DELEGATE KEY: Delegate Case, our proposal covers anything and everything the legislature decides it has to go into.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Case.

DELEGATE CASE: Is that particular service not being performed by the state attorney general's office?

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Key.

DELEGATE KEY: That service is being performed, but there are services not available for the consumer in the State of Maryland.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Pullen.

DELEGATE PULLEN: I would like to ask Delegate Key a couple of questions.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Key?

DELEGATE KEY: Yes, sir.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Pullen.

DELEGATE PULLEN: What is the difference between protecting people from bad meat and bad savings and loan associations and further if the constitution had a provision providing protection of savings and loan associations, would we have protected ourselves from having gotten into the mess we got ourselves into a year or two ago?

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Key.

DELEGATE KEY: I am not saying we would not have, but I am sure with the kind of foresighted legislature we have had in the past, this would not have happened if we had had a constitutional amendment like this.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Pullen, do you have another question?

DELEGATE PULLEN: Yes.

THE CHAIRMAN: Proceed.

DELEGATE PULLEN: I still have not had my answer about the savings and loan associations. It seems to me we have legislation to protect the consumer against bad meat. What is the difference between protecting people by law or constitution against bad meat and bad savings and loan associations?

THE CHAIRMAN: I take it Delegate Key answered to the best of her ability.

I see no difference, Delegate Pullen. Maybe Delegate Key can answer later.

Delegate Pascal.

DELEGATE PASCAL: Delegate Key, I am referring to the Committee amendment, line 28 and below, are you or was it the Committee's intent to include professions in this particular category — lawyers or doctors?