

*(Call for the question.)*

The question arises on the adoption of the amendment to Amendment No. 17 to Committee Recommendation EB-1. This is not on the adoption of the amendment. That will be submitted to you separately. For purposes of identification the amendment will be Amendment 17(A). The amendment as submitted by Delegate Maurer is to strike out the first sentence of section 4.20 and insert in lieu of it the following sentence, except for the state public school system and institutions of higher education, the head of each principal department of the executive branch shall be a single executive. The effect of the amendment to the amendment is to add to that sentence the phrase "unless otherwise provided by law."

A vote Aye is a vote in favor of the amendment to Amendment No. 17. A vote No is a vote against.

In either event, whether the amendment to the amendment is adopted or rejected, the amendment will then be submitted to you either in its original form or as amended.

A vote Aye, a vote in favor of the amendment to the amendment. A vote No, is a vote against.

Cast your votes.

Has every delegate voted? Does any delegate desire to change his vote?

*(There was no response.)*

The Clerk will record the vote.

There being 49 votes in the affirmative and 70 votes in the negative, the motion is lost. The amendment to the amendment is rejected.

The question now arises on the adoption of the amendment in its form as originally offered, that is with the sentence the Chair read to you.

A vote Aye is a vote in favor of Amendment No. 17 to Committee Recommendation EB-1 and against the committee recommendation in effect. A vote No is a vote against the amendment and in favor of the committee recommendation.

Cast your votes.

Has every delegate voted? Does any delegate desire to change his vote?

*(There was no response.)*

The Clerk will record the vote.

There being 43 votes in the affirmative and 75 in the negative, the motion is lost. The amendment is rejected.

Before submitting the next amendment or proceeding further, the Chair would like to inquire how many delegates would be intending to drive home to either the Baltimore or Washington areas this evening. Would you please stand?

Very well. The Chair has this announcement or series of announcements to make.

The present temperature is twenty-eight degrees. It is not expected to get any warmer. The snow in the Washington area is turning to sleet. The snow is expected to end at approximately 8:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. It will have further accumulations of up to four to five inches. The temperatures this evening and tonight will be in the upper twenties and low thirties. The winds tonight will be approximately ten to twenty miles per hour. There is approximately five inches of snow in Annapolis at the present time. State offices in the Annapolis area are closing at 3:30 P.M. Under the circumstances, I think it desirable that we adjourn at an early hour. I will ask Delegate Powers to consult with the Chair in a few minutes to make a few minutes and determine at what hour to adjourn.

Delegate Powers, could you come up to the rostrum now?

DELEGATE STORM: Mr. Chairman, your announcement just changed my mind. I do not know whether you want us to stand again or not.

THE CHAIRMAN: The purpose of the Chair's inquiry was simply this: The Chair had been advised that many delegates who normally would be commuting to the Baltimore and Washington areas had made arrangements to stay down here. If only a few delegates were leaving, we were going to suggest that they leave and we could continue. But if the number who stood are leaving, I do not think that would be feasible.

DELEGATE STORM: Maybe the others will react the way I did. I can put up one other delegate.

THE CHAIRMAN: Are there any other delegates who reacted like Delegate Storm? Maybe we better ask that the delegates who now intend to commute to the Baltimore-Washington areas please stand.

Delegate Clagett.

DELEGATE CLAGETT: Since Delegate Malkus is a farmer as am I, where is he?