

The Chair would hope that we could finish all of the amendments down to the point of the minority report, down to section 3.17.

As far as the Chair is aware, this would be only two or maybe three very simple amendments, and after we got those out of the way, the Chair would suggest that we adjourn. This would give you, Delegate Adkins, the opportunity to have your amendment considered in the morning, should you desire to do so.

Delegate Gleason, do you desire to ask a question of the sponsor?

DELEGATE GLEASON: Yes, sir.

THE CHAIRMAN: Does Delegate Gallagher yield to a question?

DELEGATE GALLAGHER: Yes.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Gleason.

DELEGATE GLEASON: The concern that comes immediately to mind with this change is with respect to eliminating or at least narrowing the possibility for the General Assembly to return a primary date to an earlier date than it is today because that was the discussion you recall that we got into in the Committee. If you had a total time of 70 days, would this include the period to override the veto?

DELEGATE GALLAGHER: Yes, it would. In other words, the legislature in order to protect itself would really have to act within 49 days, because of the fact that the governor has 20 days to hold the bill after it has been presented to him. If he held it the full 20 days, and vetoed, they would want one more day to override it. So consequently it actually means a 49-day override period for action by the Assembly.

THE CHAIRMAN: Are there any questions of the sponsor?

Is there any discussion?

*(There was no response.)*

Are you ready for the question?

*(Call for the question.)*

THE CHAIRMAN: The Clerk will ring the quorum bell. The question arises on the adoption of Amendment No. 11 to the Committee Recommendation LB-2.

A vote Aye is a vote in favor of Amendment No. 11. A vote No is a vote against.

Cast your votes.

Have all delegates voted? Does any delegate desire to change his vote? The Clerk will record the vote.

There being 90 votes in the affirmative and 3 in the negative, the motion is carried and the amendment is adopted.

Delegate Gallagher, do you still desire to hold your amendment U for the time being?

DELEGATE GALLAGHER: Yes, sir, just briefly.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Dulany, do you desire to offer your amendment X?

DELEGATE DULANY: Yes, please, Mr. Chairman.

THE CHAIRMAN: The pages will please distribute amendment X.

DELEGATE JOHNSON: Mr. Chairman.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Johnson.

DELEGATE JOHNSON: Mr. Chairman, I rise on a point of personal privilege.

THE CHAIRMAN: State the privilege.

DELEGATE JOHNSON: Mr. Chairman, I should like to recognize the presence of an outstanding young Marylander and a fine athlete, a young man who has, I am sure, more than a passing interest in this constitution, but more particularly more than a passing interest in a delegate to this Convention.

I would like the Committee of the Whole to welcome the groom-to-be, Tommy Phoebus, the American League Rookie Pitcher of the Year who is in the gallery to the right.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delighted to have you here.

*(Applause.)*

Is the amendment seconded?

The amendment is seconded by Delegate Eckenrode.

The Clerk will read the amendment.

READING CLERK: Amendment No. 12 to Committee Recommendation LB-2 by Delegate Dulany:

On page 1, section 3.02, Legislative Districts, line 20, after the period insert the following sentence: "To the extent practicable, no county shall be divided so as to comprise only a part of more than one Senate district nor so as to comprise only a part of more than one Delegate district."