

eliminated the word "printed", which we felt argued very much against the position we wished to take.

Consequently, I have prepared the language which you have before you in Amendment No. 17, which would now make the sentence in section 3.16 read, "except during the first four days of special session, no vote on final passage of a bill shall be taken until the bill and all amendments shall be in writing."

I think this is clearer to the interpretation and the desired result which we sought to achieve in the Committee. Therefore, I would urge the adoption of the amendment, Mr. Chairman.

THE CHAIRMAN: Is there any further discussion?

Are you ready for the question?

Delegate Della.

DELEGATE DELLA: Mr. Chairman, this is the present procedure. When a bill is brought over from another chamber, amendments are attached to the bill, and the bill is stamped as being amended.

Under the proposal as stated in LB-2, you might get the impression that that bill would have to go back to the printer and be printed before it is returned to the house of origin. This would permit the bill to be returned as long as the amendments are printed and attached to the bill and it would expedite the legislative procedure, and I think it is very necessary that this amendment be attached to the proposal.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Della, you used a word I think inadvertently. You said as long as the amendments are printed. You mean as long as they are written regardless of whether they are printed.

DELEGATE DELLA: Written, yes.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Gallagher.

DELEGATE GALLAGHER: Mr. Chairman, I am trying to determine whether or not we might better get the sense of the present practice which we wish to retain by perhaps adding the word, "adopted," after "amendment," and "all amendments adopted shall be in writing." I would ask Delegate Della and Senator James if they believe this would be preferable or would they desire the language as it exists in the amendment?

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Della.

DELEGATE DELLA: If the amendment is going to be sent back to the house

from which the bill originated, those amendments must be adopted by the second house.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Della, I think the question goes to a different point. It is not intended that amendments offered and not adopted are required to be attached to the bill, is that correct?

DELEGATE DELLA: That is true. They are not adopted. I mean that they are not accompanying the bill. Those amendments are not adopted. It is only those amendments that are adopted.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Gallagher, would the problem be solved by adding the word, "thereto," after "amendments"?

DELEGATE GALLAGHER: It would, Mr. Chairman.

THE CHAIRMAN: Do you desire to make that change?

DELEGATE GALLAGHER: I would move therefore to insert after the word "amendments," on line 5 of Amendment No. 17, the word, "thereto."

THE CHAIRMAN: On the theory that an amendment is not an amendment thereto to the bill unless it has been adopted.

DELEGATE GALLAGHER: That is correct, sir.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Case.

DELEGATE CASE: Will Delegate Gallagher yield for a question?

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Gallagher.

DELEGATE GALLAGHER: Yes, sir.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Case.

DELEGATE CASE: Delegate Gallagher, do the words, "in writing," permit an amendment by interlineation in hand, hand script?

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Gallagher.

DELEGATE GALLAGHER: Well, it is subject to that possible interpretation but we have said that we are following the present practice and the present practice is not to use handwritten amendments.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Case.

DELEGATE CASE: Is there any way that it can be made clear that the amendment at least ought to be typed or put in some form that the members of the houses can read them?