

Are you ready for the question?

*(Call for the question.)*

All those in favor of the motion to amend, signify by saying Aye; opposed, No. The Ayes have it. It is so ordered.

The question now arises on Resolution No. 9 as amended. Is there any discussion?

*(There was no response.)*

Since this is an amendment of the rules, a roll call vote is called for.

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

*(There was no response.)*

The Clerk will record the vote. There being 134 votes in the affirmative and one in the negative, the motion carries. The resolution as amended is adopted. The rule stands amended.

The question now arises on Resolution No. 11. The question is on the adoption of the resolution notwithstanding the unfavorable report of the committee. The Chairman recognizes Delegate Finch.

DELEGATE FINCH: Mr. President, fellow delegates, ladies and gentlemen: I have set forth my arguments for adoption of Resolution No. 11 in the memorandum attached thereto. I still think that the arguments are very good ones because the resolution sets up a uniform procedure in handling each resolution after it has been introduced to the Convention, and then referred to a committee.

Secondly, once the resolution has been referred to a committee, it should subsequently be debated in committee. Finally the Chief Clerk is charged with the responsibility of making some notations as to what is the final disposition made of each resolution.

These are the arguments for favorable adoption of the resolution on the procedural aspects.

Now turning to the substantive aspects in favor of the adoption of this resolution, each delegate is assured that or at least should be assured that his resolution is going to be considered on its merits.

Furthermore, if a written report is made by the committee and filed with the Chief Clerk, the public has information as to what happened to that particular resolution.

Thirdly, you have the problem of documentation of the resolution. As Governor

Driscoll pointed out, there are many proposals that have been introduced wherein they may not rise to constitutional level but which still have good merit and should be considered further perhaps by the executive branch of government and referred on to the legislature for further action. These are several of my reasons for the adoption of Resolution No. 11 and I urge you to give it a favorable vote.

THE PRESIDENT: Is there any further discussion? Are you ready for the question? Although the resolution does not in terms amend the rules, its adoption would, it seems to me, be substantially equivalent to amendment of the rules and I would therefore like to have a roll call vote. A vote Aye is a vote in favor of the resolution notwithstanding the unfavorable report of the committee. A vote No is a vote against the adoption of the resolution.

*(Whereupon the roll call was taken.)*

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

*(There was no response.)*

If not, the Clerk will record the vote. There being 12 votes in the affirmative and 120 in the negative, the motion is lost. The resolution is rejected.

Next item on the calendar is introduction and first reading of proposals. There are nine proposals, numbers 356 to 365. I call your attention to the fact that there have been circulated a number of memoranda pertaining to proposals heretofore introduced, memoranda pertaining to proposals No. 6, 153, 189, 231, 242.

Delegate Proposal No. 356. The Clerk will read the proposal.

READING CLERK: Delegate Proposal No. 356, by Delegate Sherbow and Case at the request of the Committee on State Finance and Taxation. Title,

*A PROPOSAL that the State shall value property according to a uniform method or methods for purposes of determining property tax assessments and the share of governmental units in any distribution of funds based in whole or in part on such assessments.*

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Proposal No. 356 is referred to the Committee on State Finance and Taxation.

Delegate Proposal No. 357. The Clerk will read the proposal.