

*remedy for all wrongs or injuries which he may suffer to his person, property, character, and family, such right to be free and without purchase, complete and without denial, prompt and without delay, by having recourse to the laws and equitable principles.*

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Proposal No. 416 is referred to the Committee on Personal Rights and the Preamble.

Delegate Proposal No. 417. The Clerk will read the proposal.

READING CLERK: Delegate Proposal No. 417, by Delegate Finch. Title,

*A PROPOSAL that the highest court of the State shall have appellate jurisdiction in all cases under the Constitution of the State and the Constitution of the United States, and in all other cases as provided by law; that said court shall be composed of seven justices, five justices constituting a quorum; and that the concurrence of five judges in the instance of a constitutional issue, and four justices in all other instances, shall be necessary for the decision of a case.*

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Proposal No. 417 is referred to the Committee on the Judicial Branch.

Delegate Proposal No. 418. The Clerk will read the proposal.

READING CLERK: Delegate Proposal No. 418, by Delegate Singer. Title,

*A PROPOSAL that no law of the General Assembly shall require expenditures by any county until approved by the governing body of the county, unless the General Assembly provides sufficient funds to meet the cost of such county expenditures, provided that exception hereto may be made by law uniformly applicable to all counties.*

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Proposal No. 418 is referred to the Committee on Local Government.

Delegate Proposal No. 419. The Clerk will read the proposal.

READING CLERK: Delegate Proposal No. 419, by Delegate Finch. Title,

*A PROPOSAL that the citizens of the State shall continue to enjoy and freely exercise all riparian rights of creeks, river, lakes, bays, and the ocean to which they have heretofore been entitled, including the rights of huntery and fishery.*

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Proposal No. 419 is referred to the Committee on Personal Rights and the Preamble.

Delegate Proposal No. 420. The Clerk will read the proposal.

READING CLERK: Delegate Proposal No. 420, by Delegate Finch. Title,

*A PROPOSAL that the General Assembly shall have the power to enact suitable legislation to train and retrain persons displaced by automation.*

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Proposal No. 420 is referred to the Committee on the Legislative Branch.

I call to the attention of the Convention that of the 91 days allotted by the Enabling Act for the session of this Convention today is the 45th. We therefore are at the halfway point. In the period since September 12, when this Convention assembled, the committees of this Convention have held nearly 250 hearings and they have heard nearly 600 witnesses. Most of the committees, as I am sure all of you are aware, are now nearing the end of the discussion stage and beginning very active drafting of recommendations and reports.

It is imperative that this work proceed with all possible dispatch and again I want to urge all delegates who may be contemplating submission of minority reports to be working on them now. Please do not wait for the completion of majority reports before you begin to think in terms of the minority report you may offer.

The Chair recognizes Delegate Malkus.

DELEGATE MALKUS: Mr. Chairman, I rise upon a point of inquiry. Will the Chair yield to a question?

THE PRESIDENT: I do not think the Chair has to yield to a question, Delegate Malkus. State your inquiry.

DELEGATE MALKUS: I noted with interest that you have just stated that we have reached the halfway point, 45 out of 91. The reason that I rise is that after 45 days we still have not complied with the law, Section 12 of Chapter 4 of the 1967 Act which states the Convention shall appoint an historian whose duties it shall be to collect, compile, document, preserve all proceedings of the Convention and its several committees.

My question, sir, is directed to you and it is this. First, are we going to have a historian which the law requires, and sec-